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November 22, 1944

Mr. B. Brooks
3736 Burlingame
Detroit 6, Michigan

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Your letter postmarked November 15, 1944, is before me for acknowledgment.

I have carefully noted the content of your communication and wish to thank you for bringing the information contained therein to my attention.

If in the future you should obtain any additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, I want you to feel free to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Detroit Field Division, which is located at 906 Federal Building, Detroit 26, Michigan.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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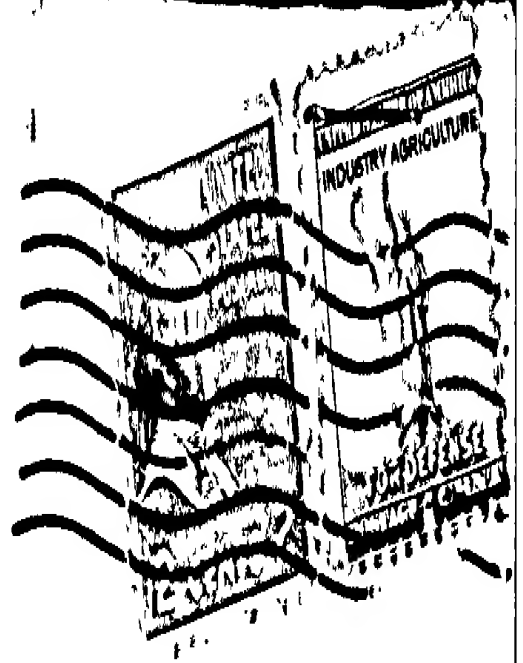
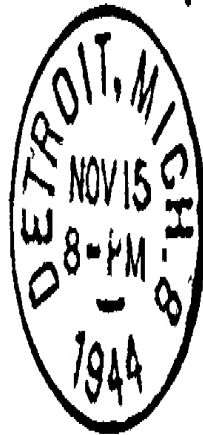
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Washington , D. C.

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3736 Burlingame
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 17, 1944

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., etal
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The New York Office received from the offices of the NEW YORK AGE, 230 West 135th Street, New York, a recent publication of the CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, entitled: "VOTE CIO AND GET A SOVIET LAND AMERICA".

This publication is in the form of a pamphlet and contains an attack against the President of the United States, as well as the C.I.O., the P.A.C., and SIDNEY HILLMAN. This appears to be a political publication which was distributed prior to the recent National Election, and is enclosed herewith for the information of the Bureau. Accompanying the pamphlet is a mimeographed page advertising the pamphlet, together with a green sheet advertising other publications of the CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE and calling for the recipients thereof to help distribute the enclosed pamphlet.

cc - New Haven

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CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, Inc.
342 Madison Avenue, New York City
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

VOTE CIO...and Get a Soviet America

NEW YORK : Sidney Hillman's loud denials of Communist sympathy were sensationally challenged here today in a new 64-page booklet in which he is accused of having been an intimate of Lenin, of having aided the Communist cause in the United States and of having contributed American funds to the Soviet Government.

Official quotations from Communist records and other documentary evidence is presented to identify Clear-everything-with-Sidney Hillman as the newest "stooge" for American Communists and the CIO Political Action Committee as the latest Communist front.

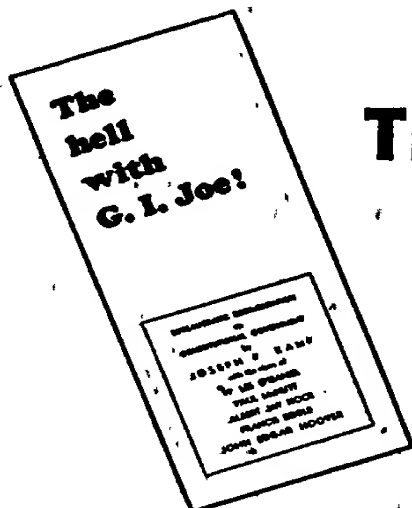
The booklet, "Vote CIO...and Get a Soviet America," was written by Joseph P. Kamp, publicist and expert on subversive movements, and published by the Constitutional Educational League, Inc., 342 Madison Avenue, New York. Priced at only 25 cents, the booklet is obviously beamed at mass distribution.

Kamp accuses Hillman of having promoted a blue-sky Russian clothing industry scheme in which stock was sold to American union workers on the strength of two "come on" shares bought by Lenin; of having diverted union funds to equip a Soviet social institution, and of having been the principal agent through which fifty million dollars were sent to Soviet Russia despite a U.S. Government money embargo.

Kamp traces Hillman's career from early revolutionary terrorist in Russia in 1905 to leadership in the CIO during its bloody formative years and accuses Hillman of having employed the underworld to eliminate "internal dissention" in union ranks.

Kamp tells much of the inside story of the Atty.-Gen. Biddle-Thomas Dewey feud over the custody of Louis "Lepke" Buchalter, head of "Murder, Inc." Lepke, according to Kamp, was a goon employed by Hillman's Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union and was jailed on a federal narcotics charge only because "powerful influences" in Washington feared he would "sing" to Dewey regarding the murder of a clothing manufacturer who had broken his Amalgamated contract.

In the new booklet Kamp traces the revolutionary plans of Communism in the United States from Moscow's Third Internationale of 1919 to Hillman's CIO-PAC of '44 and warns that unless Communism in the guise of PAC and NOPAC is repudiated, the American people will be subjected to some form of "fascism" or enslaved in a "Soviet America."



The hell with G. I. Joe!

HAS G.I. JOE BEEN SOLD A BILL OF GOODS?
WHAT ARE THE BUREAUCRATS PLANNING
TO DO TO HIM INSTEAD OF FOR HIM
AFTER THE WAR?

WHAT IS HIS BLOOD AND YOUR TEARS
ACTUALLY BUYING?

YOU HAD BETTER FIND OUT — AND DO
SOMETHING ABOUT IT!

G.I. JOE CAN'T DO IT FOR HIMSELF — HE'S
BUSY! DONT LET HIM DOWN!

Ten Cents a Copy — Twelve Copies for One Dollar

The FIFTH COLUMN in the SOUTH

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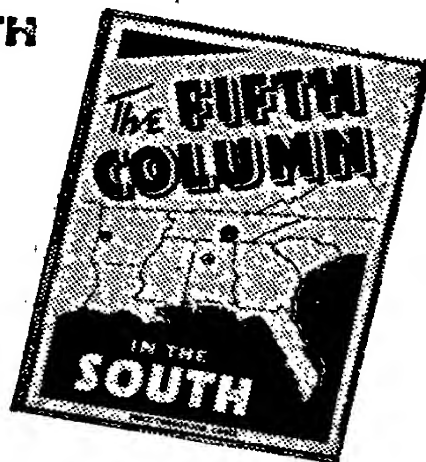
TO "TAKE OVER" THE FARMS!

TO "TAKE OVER" INDUSTRY!

TO "TAKE OVER" CHURCH AND HOME!

TO DESTROY STATES RIGHTS!

TO BRING REVOLUTION AND RUIN!



READ THE FIFTH COLUMN IN THE SOUTH —
AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!

Twenty-five Cents a Copy — Five Copies for One Dollar

CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, Inc.

342 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y.

I WANT TO HELP! I enclose \$..... for which please send me the following booklets:

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copies VOTE CIO . . . and Get a SOVIET AMERICA — Twenty-five cents a copy, five
for a dollar, fifteen dollars a hundred copies.

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copies WITH LOTIONS OF LOVE . . . Twenty-five cents a copy, five for a dollar,
fifteen dollars a hundred copies.

.....
copies FIFTH COLUMN IN THE SOUTH — Twenty-five cents a copy, five for a
dollar, fifteen dollars a hundred copies.

.....
copies THE HELL WITH G.I. JOE! — Ten cents a copy, twelve copies for a dollar,
seven dollars and a half a hundred copies.

I also send herewith \$..... as my contribution in support of the League's program
and to assist in giving wider circulation to its literature.

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY..... STATE.....

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What YOU can *do* about it!

It is certain that if PAC succeeds in its seditious campaign it will in time bring about the complete destruction of the American system of society.

The time has come when every good American — every alert citizen — must take part in a crusade to stop PAC and purge the public payroll of all enemies of Constitutional government.

To accomplish this end, patriotic public opinion must be aroused and mobilized. This must be done *NOW* while there is still time — *before it is too late*.

Will you cooperate? Will you do your duty to yourself and to your country? Will you do something practical to help preserve the Republic?

Here are a few suggestions:

1. Distribute copies of this booklet to your associates in the business or industry where you work and among your neighbors in the community where you live.

2. Mail copies to your relatives and friends in other towns, cities and in other states. Write them, too, and suggest that they assist in circulating this booklet.

3. Contribute according to your means (in any amount) to the support of the League so that this booklet and similar literature may be placed in the hands of a constantly expanding army of hundreds of thousands of molders of opinion in every part of the country.

Help Distribute

VOTE GIO . . . and Get a Soviet America

Twenty-five cents a copy

Five copies for a Dollar

Fifteen dollars a hundred

USE THE COUPON ON THE NEXT PAGE

DO IT NOW!

Invitation to **MURDER**

Several years ago, when the Communists were calling Mr. Roosevelt an imperialist war monger, Atty. Gen Biddle held that the Communist aim in America was to overthrow the government of the United States "by force and violence." At that time Hitler and Stalin were leagued together in looting Poland. Communists were sabotaging the American armament program. Then Hitler invaded Russia and the New Dealers sold out the Democratic party to the Communists.

The sell out was profitable to both parties, but the Communists prospered most because they now control the New Deal party and have Mr. Biddle in their pocket. They are stronger and more active than ever. Moscow ordered them to change their label when the Third International allegedly was disbanded, but the Communist party in America was not liquidated. It became fronts and political action groups and its leaders got on the New Deal payroll. The Communist party platform of 1932 gives the most honest statement of what they intend to do, and that aim hasn't been changed either. They plan to rally the "oppressed masses . . . under Communist leadership in the revolutionary struggle to overthrow capitalism and to establish a government in the United States of workers and farmers."

This is not going to take place without bloodshed. The New Dealers may hold back the revolution for a time by advancing the Communists' plans almost to fruition, but when the New Deal leaders have served their purpose, they will get the ax. The Communists intend to overthrow capitalism, which is another way of saying they intend to destroy property rights everywhere. They cannot do this without revolution and murder, and that is what the phrase "revolutionary struggle" means.

The Communists will move as far as they can within the framework of representative government, paying lip service to what they call "democratic principles." If they ever become so strong they know they cannot lose, they will take the "struggle" on from there, by the bloody means they demonstrated so well in Soviet Russia. They not only intend to plunder all property, but they intend to murder millions of Americans. They talk now about obtaining the "means of production" for the people. In Russia, the means of production often was a peasant's last cow, and if he didn't surrender it to the commissars, he was shot.

The people who support the New Deal ticket this November are supporting the Communists and building them up for the day when they plan to bring the Red terror sweeping down upon America. A New Deal vote is an invitation to murder.

— *The Chicago Sunday Tribune, August 6, 1944.*

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How Are Your Wits Today?

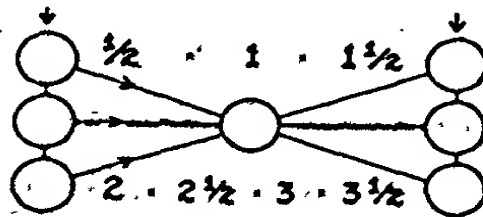
A. W. Nugent



VICTORY CIGARS

A sailor bought four and a half boxes of cigars for \$27. What will three boxes cost him at the same rate?

5 ROWS OF 6



Can you write the given seven numbers, one in a circle, so that each of the five rows indicated by the arrows will add to exactly 6?

WHAT STATES?

Six of the United States are suggested by the following sentences. . . . Can you uncover them?

1, A wash and a weight. 2, You join and I slit. 3, A lion's hair. 4, A jacket not old. 5, A red man and a. 6, Three exclamations.

FIGHTING WORDS

Seven minutes is the average time to unscramble these groups of letters to spell five words meaning "Battle." Can you score a bull's-eye?

1. FIRES T.
2. MOB CAT
3. HIT FG.
4. HIS SMIRK
5. LIC FT NOT

Please don't look at the solutions on page 101 until you have given yourself a fair chance to answer.

ness career as a process server. He soon graduated into the profession of strike-breaking. Later he tried his hand at pulp-writing without much success. Not until Hitler came to power in Germany did Kamp discover his real milieu.

Q In the summer of 1933 Joseph Kamp suddenly became publisher and editor of a pro-fascist magazine called *The Awakener*. Listed on the magazine editorial board along with Kamp were: Lawrence Dennis, self-styled "theoretician" of American fascism, later indicted by the Department of Justice on charges of taking part in a Nazi conspiracy; and Harold Lord Varney, a pro-Mussolini propagandist in New York City. Soon after founding *The Awakener*, Kamp opened a savings account in New York at the Banca Commerciale Italiana.

In 1937 *The Awakener* discontinued publication. A letter from Kamp to one of his followers revealed that the work of the pro-fascist publication would be carried on by the Constitutional Educational League. "*The Awakener* is dead, but the work is being carried on," Kamp wrote, "and under separate cover you will receive . . . recent booklets and pamphlets of the Constitutional Educational League."

There was a considerable demand for the sensational anti-Administration, anti-labor and anti-Semitic propaganda material which began to pour out of the League's offices in New York City, New Haven, Connecticut, and Madison, Wisconsin. The League's books, pamphlets and leaflets, many of them written by

Kamp himself, were soon being distributed throughout the country by the German-American Bund, the Christian Front, the Crusaders for Americanism and other fifth column organizations. The printings ran into large numbers. According to Kamp, he disposed of 2,200,000 copies of one booklet entitled *Join the CIO—and help build a SOVIET AMERICA*. Between 1937 and 1940, Kamp claims, he distributed a total of 10,000,000 pieces of literature.

All of this, of course, cost money, especially since the propaganda pieces, although marked at various prices, were usually distributed free. To raise funds to support this propaganda activity and to meet his own personal needs, Kamp sent his private solicitors to the offices of reactionary business men, ardent pro-fascists and rabid isolationists throughout the country. The solicitors, carefully trained, in methods of high-pressure salesmanship by Kamp himself, brought in handsome sums.

There were other sources of funds for such propaganda work. One of Kamp's closest collaborators on the Constitutional Educational League was A. Cloyd Gill, a notorious anti-Semitic propagandist. In August 1936, Gill helped arrange a national conference at Asheville, North Carolina, attended by leading American anti-Semites and pro-Nazi propagandists. Following this conference an intimate working relationship developed between Gill and Kamp. On June 17, 1938, Gill dispatched one of his solicitors on a very special fund-raising mission. Here is how this solicitor subsequently de-

scribed his assignment in an affidavit now in possession of the author of this article:

"On June 16th I was instructed to visit the offices of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce at 500 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and contact a Mr. T. Ono for the purpose of obtaining a \$600.00 subscription. When I questioned Mr. Gill as to the amount of the subscription, he stated that he knew Mr. Ono and that the latter would understand. . . . Gill informed me . . . that the price would be the usual subscription fee for Mr. Ono, to wit, \$600.00. Gill instructed me to proceed to the office of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and collect \$600.00. This I did and received the payment in the form of sixty \$10.00 bills. . . . I do not know how much Kamp received of the monies paid to Gill by Ono, but I do know that he knew of the transactions and acted as if he were part and parcel of the deal. . . . Similar transactions with foreign governments . . . took place with the German Library of Information, as well as the Italian Library of Information."

The relationship between Kamp and Gill came to an abrupt conclusion in the spring of 1943. Early in the morning, on April 7, Gill was found dead in the offices of the Constitutional Education League. According to the coroner, he had died from "natural causes". . . .

America's entry into the war in no way interrupted Kamp's propaganda activities. From Pearl Harbor up until today he has continued to

flood the country with his disruptive and defeatist publications. At the moment, he is concentrating on propaganda virulently attacking Franklin Delano Roosevelt. While many fifth columnists have been imprisoned or indicted by the Department of Justice, Kamp, the fascist propagandist, has prospered. His Congressional sympathizers may have taken him under their protective wing.

Representative Clare E. Hoffman of Michigan has been incorporating Kamp's propaganda into the Congressional Record. Representative Paul Shafer, also of Michigan, has publicly endorsed Kamp's writings. But the closest relationship of all exists between Kamp and Congressman Martin Dies of Texas.

In 1938, Congressman Dies was chosen by Kamp to receive the "Americanism Award" of the Constitutional Educational League. Later, Kamp urged "patriots" to withhold information from J. Edgar Hoover and to give it, instead, to Martin Dies or to himself. Kamp's former personal secretary, Hazel Hoffman, has been employed by Dies as a "special investigator." Material collected by the Dies Committee has been regularly placed at the disposal of the Constitutional Educational League. In October, 1943, Kamp observed: "Martin Dies and I have been playing ball for years."

At present, Kamp is making his propaganda headquarters in an expensive suite of offices at 342 Madison Avenue, New York City. A visit by FBI agents to this address is recommended.

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November 27, 1944

Miss Lillian T. Connor
200 West 58th Street
New York 19, New York

Dear Miss Connor:

I have before me for acknowledgment your letter of November 22, 1944, with enclosure.

I have noted the content of your communication and enclosure with a great deal of care and wish to thank you for calling these data to my attention. I also want you to know that your commendatory remarks concerning the work of the FBI are deeply appreciated.

If in the future you should obtain any additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, I want you to feel free to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our New York Field Division which is located at 234 United States Court House, Foley Square, New York 7, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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The enclosed article which I have just read has infuriated me to put it mildly. I cannot understand why Kamp is allowed to carry on his activities from an office in N.Y. when it is so well known what his activities are. Undoubtedly he is being protected by some persons or group and I am sure it is not the FBI.

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Re: Haffner, Walter

and also. It seems unbelievable
that Haffner should be permitted
to incorporate Kampf's Nazi
propaganda into the Congressional
Record.

If our boys are sacrificed
while fighting the Nazis
I don't see why we should
permit the Nazis to hold any
office in our Government.

Is there any thing the people
can do ~~to help in this~~ Kampf
Case also to have force
given to the F.B.I. to investigate
these Congressmen who seem to
have Nazi tendencies. If there
is I would be glad to do my bit.
But I know many who would
join me.

May I take this occasion
to congratulate you on the
very wonderful job you

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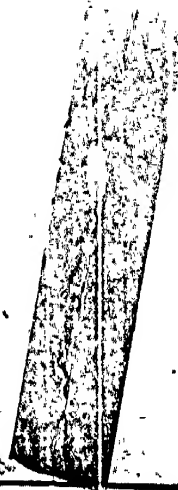
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 16, 1944

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
SECURITY MATTER - X

Attached herewith please find a pamphlet distributed by the subject organization in the New York City area during the recent election campaign period. The attached was procured by Special Agent Francis J. McCarthy, Jr. from a number of the same which were placed on display outside the temporary quarters of this organization in Brooklyn.

In view of the fact that the FBI is mentioned in several places in this pamphlet and because on page twenty-three it states that one of the three points of the current Communist program calls for the elimination of anti-Communist officials from the government payroll and that the name of J. Edgar Hoover heads the list, it is felt that this will be of interest to the Bureau.

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**HOW
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*and LOSE what
we're fighting for?*

PETITION TO THE PRESIDENT

A PLEDGE AND A PLEA

TO THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Since our country has been viciously and treacherously attacked by a foreign foe

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby pledge our unflinching loyalty to your leadership in this hour of crisis, together with such co-operation and support as may be required to insure victory, . . . regardless of the sacrifices involved. In the words of the Declaration of Independence we pledge to you and to America's cause "our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor."

However, it would be a tragedy if, in spite of tradition and with all the effort and sacrifice, we were to win the war and lose what we're fighting for.

Our concern arises from the fact that the Dies Committee, Members of Congress, leading newspapers, and patriotic organizations have disclosed the employment of thousands of Communists and fellow-travelers . . . enemies of the American system and way of life . . . in positions of power and trust within our government.

We, therefore, plead with you, Mr. President, to take any and all necessary steps to purge the Government of these un-American elements. We urge you to follow the advice of the Father of our Country, George Washington, who in another critical period when the Nation's very life was at stake, warned:

**"PUT NONE BUT AMERICANS
ON GUARD"**

DO YOUR DUTY as an alert citizen. Make a copy of the "Petition to the President" printed above, append it to sheets of ruled paper, get all your friends and neighbors to sign it, and then mail it to Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt, The White House, Washington, D. C. "The TIME is SHORT." Every hour counts. Don't lose a minute. DO IT NOW!

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York #7, New York

Mr. Tolson
Mr. A. T. ...
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hendon
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Mr. Quinn Tamm
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December 7, 1944

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

Re: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
JOSEPH PETER KAMP, wa. et al.
REGISTRATION ACT
Bureau File 61-10355

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith to the Bureau, pages 71, 72, 73 and 74 which appear to have been taken from the publication, "Reader's Scope" which were sent to the New York Field Division anonymously.

It is noted that on pages 73 and 74 reference is made to the sources of funds for KAMP's alleged propaganda work, and mention is made of A. CLOYD GILL and an affidavit which disclosed that GILL, who was described as a propagandist and collaborator with the Constitutional Educational League, Inc., had received money from Mr. T. ONO, of the Japanese Consulate.

The Bureau's attention is called to the report of Special Agent W. Paul McWhorter, dated August 24, 1943, pages 13 and 14 of which set forth the results of a conference with CLARENCE E. CARRUTHERS, who had executed the affidavit mentioned above.

On Page 74 of the enclosed article, the following statement appears: "Later KAMP urged 'patriots' to withhold information from J. Edgar Hoover and to give it, instead, to Martin Dies or to himself". With respect to the above statement, attention is called to page 21 of the report of Special Agent James J. Bowman, dated April 21, 1943 at New Haven, Connecticut, in which it is stated that KAMP explained that it was his policy to expose the Communist element, and in line with that policy, he set out the information concerning the Dies Committee in an effort to have the Communist element exposed, and not buried in the F.B.I. files.



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Letter to Director
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December 7, 1944

It is believed that the last mentioned statement appearing on page 74 of the enclosed article refers to a map entitled "The Fifth Column Conspiracy in America", which was published by the Constitutional Educational League, Inc. in which the following statement appeared: "It is your duty to report to the proper authorities any and allevidence of suspected sabotage and un-American propaganda activities-----". If your information relates to the Nazis send it to J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. There are two ways to fight the Fifth Column successfully, prosecution and publicity. Since the Department of Justice on June 26, 1941 notified all Federal attorneys to hold up prosecution against Soviet agents, any information regarding Communist activities should be sent to Honorable Martin Dies, Chairman, Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Washington, D. C. If you are fearful of becoming involved, your information will be treated confidentially if sent to the Investigation Department, Constitutional Educational League, Inc. 342 Madison Avenue, New York City 17

Mr. KAMP was interviewed with respect to the above statements, *Mr 132* by Agents of the New York Field Division and the results of this interview were set forth in a letter to the Bureau dated January 14, 1942, marked "Personal and Confidential". In this letter it appears that KAMP stated that he had "all the respect in the world for the F.B.I.", and called attention to pages 14 to 16 in his book entitled "The Fifth Column vs. The Dies Committee". He added that he "objected to the Department of Justice, because it refused to prosecute all cases against Communists". He further advised that the basis for his statement contained in the map to the effect that the Department of Justice issued a statement to all Federal attorneys on June 26, 1941 to hold up prosecution on Soviet agents, came from "one of two authoritative sources, both highly reliable", the identification of which would necessitate a search of his files. It was noted that Mr. KAMP never revealed the sources of his information.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY
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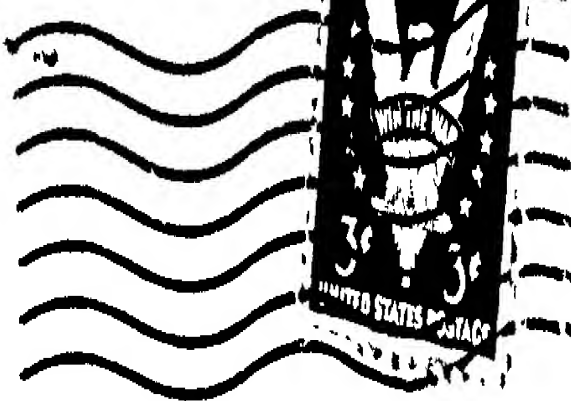
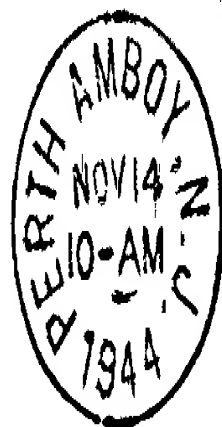
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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New York City

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : JSG:cr
Mr. Ladd

DATE: December 21, 1944

FROM : Mr. J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE
JOSEPH PETER KAMP
REGISTRATION ACT

The attached newspaper clipping from the "Times Herald" of December 21, 1944, reflects that the captioned individual has been cited for contempt **HANDLED BY** respect to his refusal to furnish a Congressional investigating committee **FILED** a report of contributors to the Constitutional Educational League in the amount **DESK** of \$100.00. **167-10355-416**

No further information is available at this time, but you will be kept advised of any developments. **DEC 23 1944**

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FILE

Grand Jury Gets Kamp 'Contempt'

A congressional contempt citation against Joseph P. Kamp, of New York, acting chairman of the Constitutional Educational League, was presented to a grand jury in Washington yesterday.

Kamp was cited for contempt of Congress November 10 by Speaker Rayburn for refusing to obey a subpoena of the House committee investigating campaign expenditures to furnish the names of large contributors.

He was the second recalcitrant witness cited for contempt as a result of the committee's activities. The first was Edward A. Rumley, of New York, executive director of the Committee for Constitutional Government, who was subsequently indicted and is now awaiting trial.

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This is a clipping from
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To: Assistant Attorney General Tom C. Clark Date: January 5, 1945

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INCORPORATED
FEDERAL CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT OF 1925

Reference is made to your memorandum of December 30, 1944, requesting that this Bureau make an immediate investigation of the activities of the Constitutional Educational League, Incorporated, and of the books, pamphlets and literature distributed by it inasmuch as the trial of Joseph Peter Kamp, its Vice-Chairman, on a contempt charge is expected to be held in late January or early February of this year. In connection with this matter, your attention is called to the following reports which have been submitted to the Department on the dates indicated. Unless otherwise designated, the date in the right-hand column is that on which the report was sent to the Division of Records.

Title	Date	Place	Agent	Date Forwarded
John E. Waters; Mrs. John E. Waters; Treason	9-20-40	Milwaukee	J. S. Rogers	11-27-42

Constitutional Educational League, Inc.; Joseph P. Kamp; W. Byron Swartz; Dr. H. W. Benjamin; Chester A. Hanson; Madelyn A. Carmon; Internal Security	1-21-41	Birmingham	R. F. Fry	Mr. Wendell Berge, 3-5-41
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"	6-24-43	Albany	Jesse L. Orr	"
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The pamphlet entitled "Vote CIO and Get a Soviet America", enclosed with your memorandum, is being returned herewith in accordance with your suggestion. For your additional information, there are attached copies of the following pamphlets which have been issued by the Constitutional Educational League over a period of the past several years.

"Department of Justice memoranda" re:

- "Washington Cooperative Book Shop"
- "Washington Committee for Democratic Action"
- "American Peace Mobilization; American People's Mobilization"
- "League of American Writers"
- "The American League Against War and Fascism; The American League for Peace and Democracy"
- "The National Federation for Constitutional Liberties"
- "National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners; National Committee for People's Rights"
- "American Youth Congress"
- "National Negro Congress"

- "Mr. Congressman: Meet Your New Boss"
- "Mr. Congressman: This Man Says — You Are a Traitor"
- "How to Win the War....and Lose What We're Fighting For?"
- "What's Cookin'!"
- "The Hell With G.I. Joe!"
- "The Fifth Column Conspiracy in America"
- "We Must Win! We Will Win! But Why Win the War...and Lose What We're Fighting For?"
- "Native Nazi Purge Plot"
- "The Fifth Column vs. The Dies Committee"
- "The Fifth Column in the South"
- "The Fifth Column in Washington!"
- "Famine in America"
- "With Lotions of Love...."
- "How to Live on \$25,000 a Year"

The investigation requested by you will be conducted and you will be kept advised of developments.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Referral/Consult

TO : MR. S. S. ALLEN

DATE: 12/30/44

FROM : Mr. C. D. Marron

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SUBJECT: JOSEPH P. KAMP

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This information is forwarded for the
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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this material be forwarded to the Internal Security Section for their attention.

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To: SAC, Washington

Date: January 5, 1945

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INCORPORATED, et al
REGISTRATION ACT

There are attached for the offices receiving copies of this letter copies of a memorandum dated December 30, 1944, from Mr. Tom C. Clark, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division of the Department. It will be noted that this memorandum requests investigation of the activities of Kamp's Constitutional Educational League for use in the trial of Kamp on contempt charges in Washington, D. C. Inasmuch as the Criminal Division has stated that the trial will be held in late January or early February of this year, the required investigation must be conducted without delay.

The Washington Field Division is instructed, in accordance with the request contained in the attached memorandum, to contact the United States Attorney for the purpose of discussing the case with him and ascertaining his desires in the matter. Upon learning what additional investigation is desired by him, any necessary leads for the New Haven or New York Field Offices should be set out by teletype and must be immediately covered.

It is noted that although the Washington Field Division has conducted some investigation in this matter, it is not in possession of a complete file. For this reason, copies of the following reports are attached, as well as a brief summary memorandum previously prepared in the Bureau.

Report of Special Agent C. Richard Palmer dated October 21, 1943, at Buffalo, New York.

Report of Special Agent James J. Bowman dated February 22, 1944, at New Haven, Connecticut.

Report of Special Agent William G. Bedell dated April 14, 1944, at Buffalo, New York.

cc - New Haven
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Office Memorandum ~~U~~ UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM : Tom C. Clark, Assistant Attorney General

SUBJECT: ⁰Constitutional Educational League, Inc.
Federal Corrupt Practices Act of 1925.

DATE: December 30, 1944
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Mr. Joseph P. Kamp, treasurer of the Constitutional Educational League, Inc., 342 Madison Avenue, New York City, has been indicted in the District of Columbia for violating Section 192, Title 2, U.S.C. This contempt action arose out of the refusal of Mr. Kamp to produce under a subpoena duces tecum certain records and papers to the House Committee on Campaign Expenditures, commonly known as the "Anderson Committee."

The Committee had subpoenaed the records and papers of Constitutional Educational League, Inc., under the reporting sections of the Federal Corrupt Practices Act of 1925, Title 2, Sections 242 et seq. The League contends that it is not subject to the provisions of this statute for the reason that it is not a political committee, but is engaged solely in educational activities.

There is transmitted herewith for your information a copy of a pamphlet entitled ("Vote CIO and Get a Soviet America," by Joseph P. Kamp,) copyrighted and distributed by the Constitutional and Educational League, Inc. We are advised that Mr. Kamp mailed a copy of this pamphlet to each member of the former grand jury in the District of Columbia, which subsequently indicted him. It is requested that immediate investigation be made of the activities of the Constitutional Educational League, Inc., and all the booklets, pamphlets, and literature distributed by it. It is believed that the League clearly falls within the definition of a political committee as defined in 2 U.S.C. 241(c), and a failure to report to the Clerk of the House as required by the Federal Corrupt Practices Act constitutes a violation thereof.

It is requested that this investigation be made in close cooperation with the United States Attorney's Office in the District of Columbia, and that the investigation be expedited as the Kamp case will be brought on for trial late in January or early in February.

It is requested that the pamphlet transmitted herewith be returned to the Criminal Division as soon as the same has served your purpose.

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NEW YORK

JANUARY 22, 1945

Transmit the following message to:

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Assistant Attorney General Tom C. Clark

January 30, 1945

John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
FEDERAL CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT OF 1925

Further reference is made to your memorandum of December 30, 1944, requesting investigation in connection with the captioned matter. The Bureau is now in receipt of the following information with respect to Kamp's activities.

The records of the Anti-Defamation League in Chicago, Illinois, disclosed two memoranda written by Robert S. Greenfield, Eastern Regional Office, Anti-Defamation League, New York City. The first of these is dated October 29, 1940, and addressed to Miles K. Goldberg, now deceased. The pertinent portion of this memorandum is quoted below:

"Last week our man was in a private office with Kamp, A. Cloyd Gill, and John B. Snow. Kamp was very excited. He just received a telephone call from one of the Associated Willkie Clubs in Texas ordering one thousand copies of Kamp's 'Fifth Column in Washington'."

The second memorandum is dated February 3, 1941, and is addressed to Richard E. Gudstadt. This memorandum stated:

"Through one of my investigators, I learn that Kamp has been associated with the Crump machine, the notorious political machine in Memphis, Tennessee. I also hear that there are various documents indicating Kamp's association with this group for the purpose of writing propaganda material. The two persons who are supposed to have all of this material are Malcolm Cotton Dobbs and Joseph Gelders. Both reside in Birmingham, Alabama. However, the approach to them might be difficult for the reason that Gelders has twice been lynched because of his anti-Crump activities. Our investigator is a friend of both of these men and he believes that he can obtain the proper entree for us."

The exact meaning of the phrase "has twice been lynched", quoted above, is not known. However, investigation is continuing and you will be advised of developments.

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DARK. ⁽¹⁾ CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., JOSEPH PETER KAMP, ETAL, REGISTRATION ACT. REFER TO WASHINGTON LETTER SIXTEENTH INSTANT. INQUIRY A. D. L. HERE REVEALS THAT MILES M. GOLDBERG IS DEAD. REVIEW OF A. D. L. RECORDS RESULTED IN LOCATING TWO MEMORANDA WRITTEN BY ROBERT S. GREENFIELD, EASTERN REGIONAL OFFICE, A. D. L., NYC, NY, WHICH ARE PERTINENT TO REQUESTED INVESTIGATION. FIRST MEMO DATED OCTOBER TWENTY NINTH, FORTY, ADDRESSED TO GOLDBERG IS QUOTED IN PART AS FOLOWS: "LAST WEEK OUR MAN WAS IN A PRIVATE OFFICE WITH KAMP, A. CLOYD GILL, AND JOHN B. SNOW. KAMP WAS VERY EXCITED. HE JUST RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM ONE OF THE ASSOCIATED WILLKIE CLUBS IN TEXAS ORDERING ONE THOUSAND COPIES OF KAMPS FIFTH COLUMN IN

WASHINGTON". SECOND MEMO DATED FEBRUARY THREE, FORTY ONE ADDRESSED TO RICHARD E. GUDSTADT IS QUOTED: "THROUGH ONE OF MY INVESTIGATORS, I LEARN THAT KAMP HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE CRUMP MACHINE, THE NOTORIOUS POLITICAL ~~CRUMP~~ MACHINE IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE. I ALSO HEAR THAT THERE ARE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS INDICATING KAMPS ASSOCIATION WITH THIS GROUP FOR THE PURPOSE OF WRITING PROPAGANDA MATERIAL. THE TWO PERSONS WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE ALL OF THIS MATERIAL ARE MALCOLM COTTON DOBBS AND JOSEPH GELDERS. BOTH RESIDE IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA. HOWEVER THE

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cc Mr Ladd

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

WPM:DJG
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TO : Director, FBI.

DATE: February 3, 1945

FROM : *EE* SAC, New York.SUBJECT: *310* CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
JOSEPH PETER KAMP et al;
SECURITY MATTER - G
REGISTRATION ACT

Reference is made to letter from Washington Field Division to the Bureau, dated January 16, 1945, with copies to Buffalo, Chicago, New Haven, and New York City, two photostatic copies of which are enclosed herewith to the Pittsburgh Field Division.

On page five of said letter, the New York Field Division was requested to endeavor to ascertain any official political connections of Mrs. N. OGDEN EDWARDS alleged to be a very heavy financial contributor to this organization. An effort was made to locate a person by that name in New York City with negative results. However, investigation revealed that Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. of Lee Avenue, East Hampton, Long Island, received a shipment of pamphlets of the Constitutional Educational League and is probably identical with the Mrs. EDWARDS, referred to in the enclosed letter.

Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR.'s permanent residence is 5607 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The Pittsburgh Field Division will endeavor to ascertain any official political connections of Mrs. EDWARDS, and furnish the information to the Washington Field Division. New Haven is the office of origin. The Bureau has set a deadline of February 5, and it is requested that this lead be covered without delay.

It is suggested that extreme discretion be exercised in order that their might be no allegation that the political activities of any individual is the subject of a Bureau investigation.

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Assistant Attorney General Tom C. Clark

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There is enclosed, for your additional information in connection with the captioned matter, one copy of the report of Special Agent James J. Bowman, dated February 5, 1945, at New Haven, Connecticut.

Investigation in this matter is continuing in close cooperation with the United States Attorney at Washington, D. C., and you will be kept informed of developments.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW HAVEN, CONN.	DATE WHEN MADE 2-5-45	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/17 - 2/4/45	REPORT MADE BY JAMES J. BOWMAN
TITLE () CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., ET AL			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY C REGISTRATION ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Information pertaining to certain bank entries in League account at Milford Trust Co. set out. Former stenographer at League headquarters advises that CHESTER A. HANSON withdrew from instant League in 7/44, to accept a position as sales representative in Conn. for the Stevens Advertising Co. Inc., of Grand Rapids, Mich. League headquarters no longer maintained at 831 Chapel St., New Haven. Subject JOSEPH KAMP indicted for contempt in District of Columbia. KAMP refused to produce under subpoena duces tecum certain records and papers to the House Committee on campaign expenditures. - P -			
REFERENCE: <u>BUREAU FILE NO. 61-10355.</u> Report of Special Agent F. MARTIN SEIN dated January 27, 1945, at Buffalo, New York. Letter from the Washington Field Division to the Bureau dated January 16, 1945.			
DETAILS: <u>BANK RECORDS</u> In the report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN dated February 22, 1944, at New Haven, Connecticut, the deposits in the bank account of Subject CHESTER A. HANSON at the New Haven Bank, NBA, as furnished by Confidential Informant T-1 were set out. It was noted that several checks of various amounts were made in favor of CHESTER A. HANSON			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 61-10355-724 EX-103 INDEXED		
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and drawn on the Old Kent Bank of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

T-1 was recontacted and exhibited the Recordak film on which these checks were recorded. It was noted that all the above checks were issued by a special account of Stevens, Inc. and signed by JOSEPH STUMP. In view of the fact that CHESTER A. HANSON is presently reported as the Connecticut sales representative of Stevens, Inc. no further inquiry is being made concerning this company and these deposits.

The report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN dated February 22, 1944, at New Haven, also sets out the entries in the bank account of instant league at the Milford Trust Company, Milford, Connecticut.

Certain entries in this account were reviewed by Confidential Informant T-2 and the following information furnished. T-2 advised that the Recordak system of accounting was not used by this bank until November 15, 1938. Prior to that date a system was used whereby only the name of the city in which the check was issued was recorded on the deposit slip. After this another system was put into effect whereby the bank number of the bank on which the check was issued was placed on the deposit slip. The following information from the deposit slips is being included to show the types and amounts of checks deposited in the League's bank account at the Milford Trust Company.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
January 15, 1937	Milford Trust Co.	<u>\$250.</u>
		250.
March 20, 1937	New York	400.
	Hartford	50.
	Bridgeport	25.
	Bridgeport	25.
	Bridgeport	20.
	Winsted	10.
	Winsted	10.
	Winsted	10.
	Hartford	10.
	Hartford	10.
	Torrington	10.
	Winsted	10.
	Winsted	10.
	Winsted	5.
	Winsted	5.

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	Winsted	\$ 5.
	Winsted	5.
	Winsted	5.
	Winsted	5.
	American Express	5.
	New York	5.15
	New York	2.50
		<hr/> 642.65
March 25, 1937	New York	110.
	Danbury	100.
	New Haven	50.
	New Haven	50.
	Litchfield	25.
	New York	15.
	New London	10.
	Hartford	3.
	Winsted	5.
	Winsted	5.
	Winsted	5.
	Greenfield, Mass.	2.
	New York City	2.
	Hartford	2.
	Washington	1.
	West Va.	2.
	New York	1.
	N. J.	1.
	Detroit	1.
	N. J.	.60
		<hr/> 390.60
March 29, 1937	N. Y.	\$200.
	Md.	40.
	N. Y.	35.
	Maplewood, N.J.	28.
	New Haven	20.
	Litchfield	10.
	N. Y.	10.
	N. Y.	8.
	Hartford	8.
	Litchfield	5.
	"	5.
	?	5.

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	N. J.	\$ 5.
	Litchfield	5.
	Hartford	5.
	Detroit	5.
	Pittsfield	2.
	N. Y.	1.25
	Chicago	1.
	Detroit	.50
	Phila.	.50
	Delaware	1.00
	U.S.M.O.	1.20
		<hr/> 401. 45
March 29, 1937	N. Y.	386.25
	N. Y.	48.
	N. Y.	40.
	Boston	8.
	?	15.
	Bridgeport	10.
	Bridgeport	5.
	Bridgeport	10.
	Bridgeport	10.
	Bridgeport	8.
	N. Y.	2.
	Ohio	1.62
	N. Y.	1.20
	Ohio	2.
	Pittsburgh	4.
	?	5.
	Detroit	5.
	Mich.	3.
	?	5.
	Phila.	10.
	Detroit	10.
	Detroit	5.
	N.Y.	2.
	Detroit	2.
	P.O.M.O.	10.
	P.O.M.O.	2.
	P.O.M.O.	2.
		<hr/> \$612.07

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>BANK SYMBOL</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
May 8, 1937	23-1	\$ 1.
	P.O.M.O.	1.
	83-50-10	2.
	4-23	32.
	6-4	1.
	64-85	1.
	1-8	10.
	1-45	2.
	11-1	5.
	1-23	25.
	53-98	25.
	53-105	25.
	1-74	<u>105.</u>
	235.	
May 11, 1937	1-23	2.40
	84-13	1.
	23-7	2.
	9-9	1.
	90-929-12	2.60
	74-1177	1.
	16-191	1.
	74-1174	1.
	60-1696	1.
	70-299	1.
	40-2	1.60
	1-74	250.
	8-72	100.
	8-11	100.
	60-243	100.
	8-92	300.
	56-30	10.
	50-129	5.
	5-130	2.
	72-88	2.
	82-92	12.
	51-10	2.
	51-10	<u>15.</u>
	913.60	

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>BANK SYMBOL</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	
May 18, 1937	50-126	\$250.	
	90-1180	1.	
	56-44	1.	
	90-1033	2.	
	3-2	1.	
	50-125	50.	
	50-665	250.	
	50-268	50.	
	60-366	25.	
	70-4	8.	
	74-88	8.	
	74-1174	1.	
	3-2	8.	
	22-1	6.	
	87-41	2.	
	20-1	10.	
	3-34	2.	
	3-28	2.	
	16-128	2.	
	9-9	2.	
	74-85	20.	
	57-33	15.	
	6-68	393.75	
	M.O.	1.	
	M.O.	1.	
	M.O.	10.	
		<hr/> \$1121.75	
	May 27, 1937	71-208	2.50
		1-23	75.00
60-851		10.	
1-8		50.	
M.O.		5.	
16-276		1.	
34-3		1.	
76-21		1.	
76-60		10.	
9-32		1.	
87-36		27.80	
51-293		10.	
51-293		20.	
55-60		25.	

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>BANK SYMBOL</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	53-378	\$ 25.
	1-74	10.
	53-235	1.
	1-6620	1.08
	M.O.	1.
	M.O.	1.
	M.O.	2.
	12-97-1	1.
	1-33	10.
	50-668	2.
	M.O.	1.
	53-376	10.
	53-498	25.
	5-13	35.
	53-378	50.
	M.O.	1.
		<hr/> \$415.38
May 29, 1937	60-1720	1.
	1-1	100.
	1-2	1.44
	53-2	25.
	2-3	20.
	53-376	25.
	53-376	35.
	City Trust & Saving, Youngstown	1.
	NYC	.50
	83-50-10	2.
	M.O.	2.
	1-103	25.
	51-10	50.
	51-147	100.
	57-2	50.
	53-510	25.
	6-68	50.
	1-33	1.
	74-85	15.
	2-3	1.
	1-74	16.
	56-211	2.
	50-115	1.

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>BANK SYMBOL</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	2-15	\$ 1.
	25-2	5.
	53-491	10.
	3-18	2.
	2-104	10.
	71-70	2.
	55-32	15.
	87-3	2.
	M.O.	10.
	71-376	5.
	Canadian M.O.	5.
		<hr/> \$615.94
June 7, 1937	56-910	\$ 2.
	52-236	2.
	29-8	500.
	Mechanics & Farmers Bk. Albany NY	100.
	" " " " "	100.
	5-25	25.
	53-319	25.
	2/1-102	2.
	51-32	2.
	74-160	1.
	1-23	20.
	87-30	10.
	1-67	5.
	73-14	2.
	M.O.	5.
	M.O.	16.
		<hr/> 817.

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CITY AND BANK SYMBOL</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PAYOR</u>
3/17/42	Dil City, Pa. 60-343	\$500.	ELIZABETH LAURA MADELY ? (blurred)
	Buffalo, NY, 10-2	100.	HENRY W. CROSBY
	Ravisi, Wis. 79-14	56.25	F. ED GUIN or GIUN ?
	Nashville, Tenn., 87-2	25.	W. E. NORELL, Jr.
	Okla. City, Okla., 39-1	10.	HENRY MARTEN (327 W.Main)

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CITY AND BANK SYMBOL</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PAYOR</u>
	California, 90-589	\$ 1.	ERNEST G. DUDLEY
	California, 90-177	1.	W. E. WILKINSON
		<u>\$693.25</u>	
4/16/42	Cleveland, Ohio, 6-68	\$564.38	Perfection Stove Co.
			DSS - Asst. Treas.
	51-39	50.	A. H. NELSON Machine Co.
		<u>614.38</u>	JAMES NELSON
12/29/42	Buffalo, N.Y.	\$200.	Pratt & Letchworth Co.
	12-5	50.	Keith/William-H.M. Edwards
	12-2	25.	A.F. Gallaun & Sons Corp.
			A. Gallaun, Jr.
	51-35	25.	Motor Castings Co. M.L.
	91-108	1.	SANFORD, E.L. LOTH
			W.M. WHEELER
			Southwest Flour & Feed Co.
			D.H. NOWOEL?
		<u>\$301.</u>	
1/25/43	79-98	\$100.	Beloit Box Board Co.
			A.F. Fisher Co.
	51-57	50.	Veeder-Root Inc. C.G.
			ALLYN, K.C. O'CONNORS
	10-2	100.	ELMY N. WIRLITERIZ?
	" "	200.	KATHRYN LEE GIBBS
	" "	150.	Consolidated Packagery
			Mch Co. - L.C. BULLARD
			H.H. LIMOND
	6-68	21.	WM. E. GRIBERT
	Am. Express M.O.	3.	
	73-27	1.	LORIMER W. SCOTT, Atty.
		<u>\$625.</u>	
1/8/44	2-28	\$200.	Marathon Paper Co.,
			A.M. VAN DOUSEN
	51-36	50.	Reed Chain Mfg. Co., M.S.
			DOOLITTLE, Asst. Treas.
	51-44	25.	M.S. Little Mfg. Co., W.E.
			FROBACH, Treas.
	51-140	25.	Plainvill Casting Co., HS
			WASHEBURN (?) Treas.
	51-183	15.	Chromium Process Co.,
			NORMAN TICE, Treas.
	51-9	10.	M. GRANT BLAKESLEE
		<u>\$325.</u>	

INFORMATION REGARDING JOSEPH P.
KAMP'S NEW BOOK

Confidential Informant T-3 and T-4 advised that they have received no further information concerning JOSEPH KAMP's latest book which is presently awaiting publication. Both advised that to their knowledge the above book is not being printed in Connecticut.

INTERVIEWS

Mr. CHARLES HARRIMAN, Attorney and Superintendent at 831 Chapel Street, New Haven, Connecticut, advised that the Constitutional Educational League last paid rent for their offices at 831 Chapel Street, on July 10, 1944. Since that date the same office space has been occupied by CHESTER A. HANSON as the Connecticut sales representative for Stevens, Inc. and R.C. ANDREWS, district representative for the Shedd-Brown Co. Mr. HARRIMAN advised that he was quite friendly with HANSON, but had only met JOSEPH PETER KAMP on one or two occasions. He could furnish no information concerning KAMP and no derogatory information concerning HANSON.

Mrs. MINERVA DOYLE, 558 George Street, New Haven, advised that she was employed by Instant League from December, 1940 until July, 1944. She further advised that she was informed of an opening in the League's offices by MADELINE CANNON, who at that time was the Office Manager for the League. She stated that she worked during rush periods until Miss CANNON resigned in June, 1942, at which time Mrs. DOYLE became a full time employee. She stated that at all times while employed by the League her duties were to type envelopes, insert booklets and take the packages to the Post Office for mailing. She stated she met JOSEPH KAMP on several occasions while he was visiting the New Haven Office, but during that period had never had the occasion to speak to him. She spoke very highly of CHESTER A. HANSON. She stated that the League's mailing list consisted of two eighteen inch drawers of index cards broken down alphabetically.

Mrs. DOYLE stated further that while she was employed by the League she had never observed any financial records of the League and believed these records to be kept in the New York Office. She stated the average sales ranged from \$.25 to \$25. She advised that certain large manufacturers, whose names she did not recall, would send in a list of names of their employees

to whom booklets of the League should be sent. She advised that this was one of the ways in which the mailing list of the League was built up. She advised that to the best of her recollection some WILLKIE Clubs from out West purchased booklets during and just prior to the 1940 Presidential election. She also advised that she had observed letters delivered to the headquarters with the return name and address of JOHN BROSS LLOYD. She also recalled the name of Mrs. OGDEN N. EDWARDS, Jr., but did not remember whether it was on the mailing list or if a contributor.

Mrs. DOYLE stated that in July, 1944, CHESTER A. HANSON withdrew from the League to accept a position as sales representative for Stevens, Inc. of Grand Rapids, Mich. She also advised that about the same time the name of the Constitutional Educational League was taken from the door of Room 206 at 831 Chapel Street, New Haven. She advised that her mother died around that time and she resigned from the League to take a trip to the Middle West. On her return she obtained employment elsewhere.

INFORMATION RE INDICTMENT
OF JOSEPH PETER KAMP

The Bureau advised by letter dated December 30, 1944, that TOM C. CLARK, Assistant Attorney General, had advised that JOSEPH PETER KAMP, Treasurer of the Constitutional Educational League, Inc., 342 Madison Avenue, New York City, had been indicted in the district of Columbia for violating Section 192, Title 2, USC. This contempt action arose out of the refusal of Mr. KAMP to produce under subpoena duces tecum certain records and papers to the House Committee, on campaign expenditures, commonly known as the Anderson Committee.

It is noted in the Bridgeport "Sunday Herald" of November 19, 1944, that an article appears captioned "RAYBURN CITES JOE KAMP FOR WITHHOLDING RECORDS. The article went on to state that KAMP failed to produce records of the Constitutional Educational League under a subpoena duces tecum and his indictment was being sought by U.S. Attorney CHARLES B. MURRAY.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

At Washington, D. C.

Will report prosecution of JOSEPH PETER KAMP whose trial is scheduled for the middle or latter part of February, 1945.

THE NEW HAVEN FIELD DIVISION

At New Haven, Connecticut

Will interview SAMUEL F. ~~X~~PRYOR, Old Field Point Road, Greenwich, Connecticut.

Will, if authorized by the Bureau, interview CHESTER A. HANSON at 831 Chapel Street, New Haven

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The identity of temporary Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN dated February 5, 1945, at New Haven, Connecticut, is as follows:

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(The identity of the above informants is being concealed
at their own request.)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Origin - NEW HAVEN, CONN.

Pgh File #100-825

Made at PITTSBURGH, PA.	Date 2-8-45	Period 2-6,7-45	Made by ALVIN F. KOWALSKI
Title CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC. JOSEPH PETER KAMP, et al.			Character, INTERNAL SECURITY - C REGISTRATION ACT

SYNOPSIS

Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR., nee Lela Harkness, 5607 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., is very wealthy, maintaining homes in Connecticut, New York, Florida and Kentucky. She is the widow of Dr. OGDEN MATTHIAS EDWARDS, JR., is about seventy years old, and now desperately ill and crippled with acute arthritis. She is a registered Republican voter, but has never held any official position politically in Pittsburgh, and reportedly is not sufficiently intelligent to participate in any political affairs.

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REFERENCE

Bureau File #61-10355.
Letter from New York to Bureau 2-3-45.
Report of SA W. PAUL McWORTER, New York, 2-3-45.

DETAILS

The following is information obtained from a review of Pittsburgh files and investigation conducted concerning Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. of 5607 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh.

Background

The Pittsburgh Blue Book, or Social Register, of 1936 lists Mrs. EDWARDS' maiden name as LELA HARKNESS, and gives her residence as 5607 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, with summer home at Dunc-hurst, East Hampton, Long Island, New York.

Approved *[Signature]* Confidential Informant C-1, whose identity is known
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to the Bureau, stated that Mrs. EDWARDS is of the HARKNESS family formerly business associates of the late JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER. The husband of Mrs. EDWARDS, Dr. OGDEN MATTHIAS EDWARDS, JR., now deceased, had maintained offices at 2003 Commonwealth Building, Pittsburgh, Pa,

Dr. CHARLES B. SCHILDECKER, Clark Building, Pittsburgh, advised that Dr. EDWARDS was a classmate of his, and that he, Dr. SCHILDECKER, knew both Dr. and Mrs. EDWARDS well for a great many years. He stated that he had on occasion been the guest of the EDWARDS on ocean cruises off the Florida coast. Dr. EDWARDS practiced medicine only to a very limited extent because of the extreme wealth of his wife. His wife, according to Dr. SCHILDECKER, turned over much of her income to her husband. Dr. and Mrs. EDWARDS maintained elaborate homes in Connecticut, New York, Jupiter Island, Florida, Donerail, Kentucky, and Pittsburgh.

Dr. SCHILDECKER stated that Mrs. EDWARDS had never been active socially or politically, and that he believes she is now quite ill. He, under pretext, contacted Dr. WILLIAM O. SHERMAN of the Carnegie Building, Pittsburgh, who was likewise a friend and classmate of Dr. EDWARDS, who advised that Mrs. EDWARDS, now about seventy years of age, is desperately ill with acute arthritis and hopelessly crippled.

The Pittsburgh Sun Telegraph newspaper carried articles on the death of Dr. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. on December 29, 1940 and January 2, 1941, which articles reflected that Dr. EDWARDS left an estate of \$3,000,000 divided principally among his children, three daughters, Mrs. JOHN M. LAZEAR of Pittsburgh, Mrs. HARRY COOK of New York City, Mrs. HAROLD WILLIS NICHOLS, JR. of Cincinnati, and one son, HARKNESS EDWARDS of Donerail, Kentucky.

It should also be noted that a complaint was received by the Pittsburgh Office from Naval Intelligence in 1941 concerning the yacht, "Lela", owned by Mrs. EDWARDS, to the effect that this yacht had put in at St. Simons Island, Georgia for repairs on May 6, 1941, and that the crew of the yacht was very vague about the accident and conversed in a language which appeared to be German. Investigation disclosed that the yacht carried a crew of nine, all of whom were born in either Norway or the United States, and that the yacht had been purchased by the EDWARDS some three or four years prior to Dr. EDWARDS' death. Repairs to the yacht were necessary on this particular cruise due to the striking of a submerged object by the yacht off St. Augustine, Florida. Investigation further reflected Mrs. EDWARDS to be patriotic and not engaged in any subversive activities.

Political Connections

The Voters Registration records at Pittsburgh examined by the writer reflected that Mrs. EDWARDS as LELA H. EDWARDS of 5607 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh was registered as a Republican.

Dr. SCHILDECKER, referred to above, stated Mrs. EDWARDS was never prominent socially or politically; further that she has never been sufficiently intelligent to participate in any public affairs. She has never held any official position in any political group in Pittsburgh. According to Dr. SCHILDECKER, if she ever contributed money to a political or educational group it was because someone in soliciting her for contributions made the organization appear to be patriotic, charitable, or otherwise worthy.

Dr. SHERMAN, referred to above, was of the same opinion as Dr. SCHILDECKER.

Confidential Informant C-1 and the newspaper morgues of the Pittsburgh Sun Telegraph and the Pittsburgh Press were negative as to any political connections on the part of Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. or her deceased husband.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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SAC, Washington

February 8, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INCORPORATED, ET AL
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
REGISTRATION ACT

Reference is made to the letter of the New Haven Field Division dated February 5, 1945, in which it was requested that certain pamphlets published by the Constitutional Educational League be forwarded to your office.

In accordance with your request, there are attached for your information copies of the following publications:

Department of Justice Memorandum re:

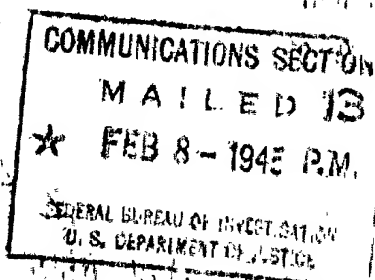
1. League of American Writers
2. The National Federation for Constitutional Liberties
3. National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners
National Committee for People's Rights
4. National Negro Congress
5. Washington Committee for Democratic Action
6. Washington Cooperative Book Shop
7. American Youth Congress
8. American Peace Mobilization
American People's Mobilization
9. The American League Against War and Fascism
The American League for Peace and Democracy

The Hell With G.I. Joe!

Vote CIO and Get a Soviet America

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Attachment

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Pennington _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____



Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: Feb. 5, 1945

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
JOSEPH PETER KAMP et al
REGISTRATION ACT

Attention: Mr. C. STRICKLAND

Reference is made to my letter to the Bureau with a copy to Washington Field dated February 5, 1945.

As pointed out in the reference letter, this office does not have copies of the following pamphlets:

Department of Justice Memorandum re:.....Strictly Confidential, from the Secret Files of the FBI:

1. National Negro Congress.
 2. American Youth Congress
 3. The Washington Cooperative Book Shop
 4. American Peace Mobilization
 5. League of American Writers
 6. The American League Against War and Fascism
 7. The American League for Peace and Democracy
 8. The National Federation of Constitutional Liberties
 9. The National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners.
 10. The National Committee for People's Rights.
 11. The Washington Committee for Democratic Action.
- "The Hell with G.I. Joe"

The League's last pamphlet, "Vote CIO and Get a Soviet America".

It is also pointed out in the reference letter that this office is unable to furnish the photostatic copies of the checks drawn by the subject to the Associated Willkie Clubs dated October 14, 1944.

Letter Washington
2-8-45-Jack

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Director, FBI

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February 5, 1945

1940 and to CLARE E. ^AHOFFMAN dated December 9, 1940. The Bureau is requested to furnish the above pamphlets and photostatic copies of the two checks drawn by Subject KAMP to the Washington Field Division.

cc Washington Field

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JSG:fmj

Assistant Attorney General Tom C. Clark

February 16, 1945

John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., et al
REGISTRATION ACT

Attached for your additional information in connection with the captioned matter is one copy of the report of Special Agent Alvin F. Kowalski, dated February 8, 1945, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Enclosure

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E. A. Tamm
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TO : Mr. Strickland

DATE: February 14, 1945

FROM : Mr. Gilmore

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., ET AL
REGISTRATION ACT

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There is attached one paper carton containing four photostatic copies of Joseph Peter Kamp's proposed book, "Un-American Gestapo," together with four photostatic copies of various exhibits in connection with this manuscript.

ACTION:

It is suggested that this material be forwarded to files in order that it might be listed as a bulky exhibit.

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TO : MR. CARTWRIGHT *fe*

FROM : MISS THOMPSON

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
REGISTRATION
Bureau File # 61-10355-429

DATE:

July 11, 1946

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The attached bulky enclosure has been reviewed in the Filing Unit and its destruction is hereby suggested.

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☐ Non serialized
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It is recommended that one copy of the manuscripts and one copy of the exhibits be retained and the extra copies destroyed.

RECOMMENDATION

As this material is occupying valuable space in the Records Section, it is requested that this file be reviewed by Security Division for an expression as to its disposition.

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Transmit the following message to:

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CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., ET AL, RA. REURTEL FEBRUARY EIGHT,
INSTANT. BELIEVED INADVISABLE TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED] UNTIL EFFORT MADE TO
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CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., JOSEPH PETER KAMP,
ET AL, REGISTRATION ACT. REFERENCE REPORT OF SA JAMES J. BOWMAN
DATED FEBRUARY FIVE, FORTY FIVE AT NEW HAVEN, IN WHICH INFORMATION
SET OUT THAT CHESTER A. HANSON WITHDREW FROM INSTANT LEAGUE IN JULY,
NINETEEN FORTY FOUR. ALSO THAT INSTANT LEAGUE NO LONGER MAINTAINS
OFFICE AT NEW HAVEN. ADVISE IF BUREAU DESIRES HANSON INTERVIEWED
TO DETERMINE PRESENT STATUS OF INSTANT LEAGUE. HANSON PREVIOUSLY
REPORTED TO HAVE ENTERTAINED STRONG DISLIKE OF SUBJECT JOSEPH PETER
KAMP.

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CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, ETAL, RA. ADVISE IMMEDIATELY DATE OF COMMUNICATION
FORWARDING CHECKS ISSUED BY SUBJECT TO ASSOCIATED WILLKIE CLUBS AND CLARE E. HOFFMAN
IN NINETEEN FORTY. THESE CHECKS MENTIONED IN YOUR LETTER OF FEBRUARY FIVE INSTANT.

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Assistant Attorney General Tom C. Clark

February 22, 1945

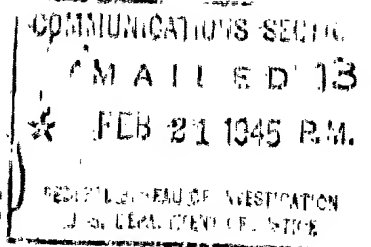
John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., ET AL
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
REGISTRATION ACT

There is attached for your information one copy of the report of Special Agent James J. Bowman, dated February 14, 1945, at New Haven, Connecticut, in the above-captioned matter.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT**

NH FILE NO. **100-15 VR.**

REPORT MADE AT New Haven, Conn.	DATE WHEN MADE 2/14/45	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/9/45	REPORT MADE BY JAMES J. BOWMAN
TITLE CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, Inc., et al			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C REGISTRATION ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SAM F. PRYOR advised he first met **JOSEPH P. KAMP** in 1936. KAMP has endeavored to sell large orders of League booklets to PRYOR with negative results. PRYOR considers KAMP to be a patriotic American whose politics are "extremely to the right and violently so". PRYOR considers KAMP's organization to be an educational organization as claimed.

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Reference:

Bureau File 61-10355.
Report of Special Agent James J. Bowman dated February 5, 1945 at New Haven, Connecticut.
Report of Special Agent Alvin F. Kowalski, dated February 8, 1945, at Pittsburgh, Pa.
Bureau teletype to New Haven dated February 10, 1945.
Bureau teletype to New Haven dated February 13, 1945.

Details:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent in Charge, Roger F. Gleason and the writer.

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SAMUEL F. PRYOR, Old Field Point Road, Greenwich, Connecticut, was interviewed and furnished the

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Roger F. Gleason
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Special Agent
in Charge

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following information. He stated that he first met JOSEPH P. KAMP in the latter part of 1936 when Mr. PRYOR was the National Treasurer of the Republican Party. On that occasion KAMP attempted to interest Mr. PRYOR both personally and also as the National Treasurer of the Republican Party in purchasing sizeable orders of booklets published by KAMP's organization. Mr. PRYOR stated that he did not desire to become involved in the issues discussed in KAMP's booklets and therefore refused to purchase any sizeable quantity of these booklets.

Mr. PRYOR pointed out that he may have purchased one or two booklets, but never any more than this number. He also pointed out that he has never contributed nor caused to be contributed any money to KAMP's organization. Mr. PRYOR stated that he was not familiar with either the name or the organization known as the Constitutional Educational League, but that he did know JOSEPH KAMP and always referred to the organization with which KAMP was associated as KAMP's organization. He stated that KAMP again solicited him in 1937 while he, Mr. PRYOR was still the National Treasurer of the Republican Party. Mr. PRYOR again refused to purchase any booklets or contribute to the instant organization. Mr. PRYOR stated that Subject KAMP has contacted him about three times since 1940 and on each occasion has attempted to induce Mr. PRYOR to purchase large numbers of these pamphlets which would be redistributed to Mr. PRYOR's friends. Mr. PRYOR advised that he refused KAMP's inducement on each occasion. Mr. PRYOR advised that it is his opinion that Subject KAMP is not in any way subversive or guilty of subversive or un-American activities.

He pointed out that there is no doubt that Subject KAMP is Anti-Communist and Anti-Administration. He described KAMP as a patriotic American whose politics are "extremely to the right and violently so". He stated that he considers KAMP's organization to be an educational organization which will accept financial assistance from any legitimate source. He pointed out that KAMP has mentioned to him that the American people must be educated in order to recognize Communism and the threat of Communism to the existence of this Government. Mr. PRYOR stated that these pamphlets written by KAMP are evidently KAMP's means of educating the American people. Mr. PRYOR pointed out that he himself did not approve of the tone of these pamphlets as they appear to be a little too violent. He also mentioned that the contents of these pamphlets must be true and accurate as he has never read in any newspaper where KAMP's organization or KAMP had been sued by any of the individuals mentioned in these pamphlets for libel or slanderous attacks on their character. Mr. PRYOR stated that he does not consider KAMP's organization to be a political organization and to his knowledge no political party has ever subscribed to it.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will report prosecution of JOSEPH PETER KAMP whose trial is scheduled for the middle or latter part of February 1945.

THE NEW HAVEN FIELD DIVISION

AT NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

Will conduct discreet investigation of [REDACTED] ascertain his willingness to cooperate with the Bureau in furnishing confidential information concerning instant League and JOSEPH PETER KAMP.

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It is pointed out that in previous reports that WILLIAM H. RUSH, 186 Bradley Street, New Haven and CHARLES KLEVE, Estimator at the Van Dyke Printing Company at New Haven have been advised that HANSON on occasion has expressed dislike for JOSEPH PETER KAMP.

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Assistant Attorney General Tom C. Clark

February 12, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.;
JOSEPH PETER KAMP, et al;
INTERNAL SECURITY - G;
REGISTRATION ACT.

Attached for your additional information is a copy of the report submitted in the above-entitled matter by Special Agent W. Paul McWhorter dated at New York City on February 3, 1945.

Enclosure

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW HAVEN, CONN.**

NY FILE NO. **65-7018 DJG**

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK, N. Y.	DATE WHEN MADE 2/3/45	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/29-31, 2/1, 2/45	REPORT MADE BY W. PAUL McWHORTER
TITLE CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC. JOSEPH PETER KAMP et al			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - G REGISTRATION ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No person by name of Mrs. N. OGDEN EDWARDS located in NYC. Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. and JOHN BROSS LLOYD not known to have any official political connections. No person by name of B. A. LLOYD is known. Copy of report of National Better Business Bureau, Inc., dated 7/17/41 and name of persons to identify it obtained. MILLARD LAMPELL, U.S. Army, is person who advised Anti-Defamation League that subject organization was being aided by Associated Willkie Clubs and that KAMP was associated with the Crump Political Machine, in Memphis, Tenn. Documents indicating KAMP'S alleged association not available in N. Y.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File 61-10355.
Letter from Washington Field to Bureau, dated 1/16/45, with copies to Buffalo, Chicago, New Haven, and New York.
Teletype from Buffalo, dated 1/25/45.
Conference teletype from Chicago, dated 1/24/45 to Bureau, Washington Field, New York and New Haven.

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DETAILS:

AT NEW YORK, N. Y.

Mr. R. M. GUNNISON, Vice-President of REUBEN H. DONNELLEY CORPORATION, 305 East 45th Street, advised that he does not remember anything about KAMP aiding the 1940 Willkie Campaign. However, he admitted that he probably told the writer on another occasion that KAMP had aided in the 1940 Willkie Campaign but that it must have been a passing observation on his part inasmuch as he could not now remember anything about it.

Mr. LOU NOVINS of the Anti-Defamation League, New York City, was contacted with respect to the source for the statements that KAMP was aided by the Associated Willkie Clubs and that KAMP was associated with the Crump Political Machine in Memphis, Tennessee. Mr. NOVINS made available the original reports of the investigator of the Anti-Defamation League. The first report dated October 1940 in referring to the Constitutional Educational League states among other things:

"This outfit has blossomed out under the impetus of the Associated Willkie Clubs who are distributing KAMP'S 'FIFTH COLUMN IN WASHINGTON'."

The file itself did not show by whom the information was obtained.

Another report dated January 3, 1941, written by "MAC" states in referring to the Constitutional Educational League:

"The company (one of Willkie's affiliates) stated KAMP off several years ago to combat the CIO'S organizing drive in the south. This makes the Willkie Clubs' backing of KAMP and KAMP'S new book on the south all fit into a neat pattern."

Mr. NOVINS was referred to a memorandum written by ROBERT P. GREENFIELD to MILES M. GOLDBERG which stated among other things:

"Last week our man was in a private office with KAMP, CLOYD GILL, and JOHN B. SNOW. KAMP was very excited. He just received a telephone call from one of the Associated Willkie Clubs in Texas ordering 1,000 copies of KAMP'S 'FIFTH COLUMN IN WASHINGTON'."

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He was also referred to a memorandum dated February 3, 1941, addressed to RICHARD E. GUDSTADT which stated:

"Through one of my investigators I learned that KAMP has been associated with the Crump Machine, the notoriously political machine in Memphis, Tennessee. I also hear that there are various documents indicating KAMP'S association with this group for the purpose of writing propaganda material. The two persons who are supposed to have all of this information are MALCOLM COTTON DOBBS and JOSEPH GELDERS both residing in Birmingham, Alabama. However, the approach to them might be difficult for the reason that GELDERS has twice been lynched because of his anti-Crump activities. Our investigator is a friend of both of these men and he believes that he can obtain the proper entry for us."

Mr. NOVINS stated that both memoranda had been written by Mr. GREENFIELD who is no longer with the Anti-Defamation League, but is now in the United States Army, and that all of the information hereinbefore referred to and the statements concerning KAMP'S association with the Crump Machine and with the Associated Willkie Clubs was obtained by their investigator, a WILLARD LAMPELL, who is in the United States Army.

When asked to identify the source of the above information, both Mr. NOVINS and Mr. ARNOLD FORSTER of the Anti-Defamation League stated that the name MAC which appeared on their reports referred to LAMPELL, who was a free-lance writer, attended meetings of various organizations and sold the information to Mr. GREENFIELD. However, they were afraid that LAMPELL was a Leftist; were afraid to take any more information from him and did not use him any more as an investigator. They stated that he now writes army shows for Columbia Broadcasting System as part of the Army program.

Through the Columbia Broadcasting System, Mr. LAMPELL was located at his residence 34 Leroy Street, telephone CH 3-4556.

It is noted that according to the Anti-Defamation League files and also as was stated in the second referenced teletype the persons who have all of the affidavits, letters, etc., are REV. MALCOLM COTTON DOBBS and JOSEPH GELDERS of Birmingham, Alabama.

Mr. MILLARD LAMPELL, 34 Leroy Street, New York City, advised that he is a sergeant in the United States Army, and that his commanding officer is CAPTAIN DAVID TURNBULL, 2001 A.A.F. Base Unit, 1 Park Avenue, New York City. MR. LAMPELL advised that he used to make investigations for LEON BIRKHEAD of the New York Council for Democracy or Friends of Democracy and that he had obtained the information that KAMP was being aided by the Associated Willkie Clubs in 1940. He also stated that he was acquainted with the wife of REV. MALCOLM COTTON DOBBS of Birmingham, Alabama, and also that he had talked with DOBBS on one occasion when DOBBS was in New York, probably in 1940. On that occasion, Mr. DOBBS showed Mr. LAMPELL some attested letters, indicating that KAMP was associated with the Crump Political Machine in Memphis, Tennessee. LAMPELL stated that he had put all of his information with regards to the association with the Associated Willkie Clubs and the Association with the Crump Political Machine in reports for DR. LEON BIRKHEAD and that he believed that Mr. DOBBS gave Mr. BIRKHEAD the attested copies of the letters, indicating that KAMP was connected with the Crump Machine. He stated that he first got the suggestion to talk with KAMP from Mr. BIRKHEAD and that during the time he was in KAMP'S office, KAMP stated that a lot of men were backing Willkie, not because they were for him but because they were against Mr. Roosevelt. While in the office he heard a woman secretary talking about a shipment of pamphlets to the Willkie Clubs in the south. He also stated that some of the Associated Willkie Clubs advertised in the newspapers free copies of KAMP'S pamphlets on the "FIFTH COLUMN IN WASHINGTON." He stated that he did not know that all of the Willkie Clubs backed KAMP, but that he knew that some of them did because they purchased many of KAMP'S pamphlets and offered them to the public free. He stated that he personally went to the Associated Willkie Clubs offices in New York City, and obtained one free copy of KAMP'S pamphlet entitled the "FIFTH COLUMN IN WASHINGTON." According to LAMPELL, this was the only reason for his statement that KAMP was being backed by the Associated Willkie Clubs. He stated that it had been so long that he could not remember any further details.

In connection with the Crump Machine, LAMPELL stated that he had written this matter up in a report for DR. BIRKHEAD, and that he did not actually know Mr. JOSEPH GELDERS of Birmingham, Alabama, however, that REV. DOBBS had given him the name of GELDERS, and stated that GELDERS had additional information and documents concerning KAMP'S affiliation with the Crump Machine.

It is noted that during the conversation with LAMPELL he made no mention of having written any reports for the Anti-Defamation League, but insisted that during that period he worked for LEON BIRKHEAD.

Mr. LEON M. BIRKHEAD, Director of Friends of Democracy, 137 E. 57th Street, New York City, advised that he had never heard of KAMP being associated with the Crump Machine of Memphis, Tennessee, and stated that although he knew MILLARD LAMPELL, who was a young man engaged in free-lance writing, and who had given some information to Mr. BIRKHEAD that LAMPELL had never written any reports for Mr. BIRKHEAD either on the Constitutional Educational League or JOSEPH PETER KAMP.

Mr. JOHN J. BURKE, a representative of the National Better Business Bureau, Room 913, Chrysler Building, residence 3210 Perry Avenue, Bronx, New York, furnished the writer with a copy of the report of the Better Business Bureau, concerning the Constitutional Educational League and dated July 17, 1941. He stated that there had been no reports since that time and that the file did not reflect any report from JOSEPH PETER KAMP or a report of the Constitutional League in reply to the report of the Better Business Bureau. Mr. BURKE stated that he was prepared to identify the copy furnished the writer, and could testify that it was a true copy by comparing it with the master copy, which they kept attached to their file on the Constitutional Educational League. He stated that the report was probably prepared by Mr. ALLAN E. BACKMAN, Director of the Division of Solicitations, who is connected with the New York Office of the National Better Business Bureau. He stated that Mr. BACKMAN could also identify the copy, which was furnished to the writer. A copy of the report of the National Better Business Bureau is being forwarded to the Washington Field Division.

Mr. C. R. D. MEIER, 515 Park Avenue, advised that he had known JOHN LLOYD and LLOYD'S family ever since his college school days, or for over thirty years. He stated that although JOHN BROSS LLOYD is a very wealthy man and has a large amount of stock in the "CHICAGO TRIBUNE" which is held in a spendthrift trust for his profit, that so far as he knows JOHN BROSS LLOYD has never had any official political connections. He stated that he was wealthy, careless, selfish and cares only for himself. He stated also that he believes JOHN BROSS LLOYD to be 100% American and that his one goal appears to be to erase Communism in the United States. He referred to Mr. LLOYD as a maron and said that he could easily be led by anyone who asked for contributions in connection with propaganda against Communism. He further stated that LLOYD could not influence anyone by his writings because he did not have the mental capacity to do so. He said that LLOYD was rabid against the New Deal and probably was a supporter of any Republican who ran against the New Deal. Mr. MEIER advised that he had never known of anyone by the name of B. A. LLOYD and that someone probably had misunderstood the name of JOHN BROSS LLOYD and termed the name as B. A. LLOYD.

An attempt was made to identify B. A. LLOYD at the Anti-Defamation League with negative results.

Mr. WILLIAM E. BROWN, Manager of the Hotel Ambassador, Park Avenue and 51st Street, was contacted concerning any official political connections with JOHN BROSS LLOYD, who resided at that hotel with negative results. He stated that LLOYD'S present address is 61 Park Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut, and prior to the time he moved to Greenwich his address was Post Office Box 65, Pinehurst, North Carolina. While still residing in the Ambassador Hotel almost two years ago, LLOYD was married to some young lady, unknown to Mr. BROWN. Mr. BROWN stated that he had never heard anyone refer to JOHN BROSS LLOYD as B. A. LLOYD.

An attempt was made to identify Mr. N. OGDEN EDWARDS at the Anti-Defamation League with negative results. The telephone directories for New York City do not reflect anyone by that name.

A review of the file reflects that a Mrs. OGDEN N. EDWARDS, JR. of Lee Avenue, East Hampton, Long Island, received a shipment of pamphlets from the Constitutional Educational League.

AT EAST HAMPTON, LONG ISLAND

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John J. Rooney:

Mr. KENNETH DAVIS, manager of the Maidstone Country Club, East Hampton, New York, advised that he was well acquainted with all of the year around local people in East Hampton by virtue of being one of them and that almost all of the summer residents who were people of means were members of the Maidstone Club and that one of his duties as manager of the Club was to check into their background before their membership was accepted. Because of this, he has knowledge of most of the summer residents. Mr. DAVIS said that he does not know of an N. OGDEN EDWARDS or of an OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. ever having resided at East Hampton. He believed that the individual referred to was OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. who has maintained a summer residence in East Hampton for the past dozen years or so. The EDWARDS' were very wealthy, most of their money coming from the HARKNESS family of Standard Oil connections through inheritance. Mr. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. has been dead for about two years and was sickly for some time before he died. He was an M.D. by profession but had not practiced medicine for many years. His wife, Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR. is in her 70's and has been in poor health for about two years. She summered in East Hampton in the summer of 1943 but has not been there since. She owns a large home on Lee Avenue. She has one son and three daughters. Her son HARKNESS EDWARDS is married and also owns a summer house on Lee Avenue. His principal residence is at Donerail, Kentucky. Her daughters are all married. FRANCES is Mrs. HARRY COOK of 940 Park Avenue, New York City.

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CATHERINE is Mrs. HAROLD NICHOLS of Cincinnati, Ohio. The third daughter, name unknown, is married to DR. LAZEAR of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS JR.'S permanent residence is at 5607 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Mr. DAVIS believes that she is there at the present time. Mr. DAVIS does not know of Mrs. EDWARDS or any member of the family having indicated any interest in politics while at East Hampton. Nor did his check into their background indicate anything along this line. The family is very well thought of by the residents of East Hampton, and Mrs. EDWARDS is especially liked as a quiet, friendly lady. HARKNESS EDWARDS is considered the wild one of the family, drinks to excess, and is irresponsible. They entertain very little, and Mr. DAVIS does not recall them associating with anyone having political connections. Mr. DAVIS is unfamiliar with the Constitutional Educational League, Inc.

Postmaster SAMUEL CLINE, Chief of Police FRANCIS DAVID LEDDY, NPA and RICHARD STEELE reliable and long time residents of East Hampton, could add nothing to the information furnished by Mr. DAVIS. None of them knew of anything which would indicate any political connection between any organization and the EDWARDS'. Mr. CLINE could recall nothing unusual in their mail. Chief LEDDY advised that he has had some trouble with HARKNESS EDWARDS because of his drinking and fast driving but has never arrested him although he understands that he was arrested in Kentucky.

Enclosure to Washington (1) carbon copy of 4 page
report of National Better
Business Bureau, Inc.,
on Constitutional Educational
League, Inc., dated 7/17/41.

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PITTSBURGH FIELD DIVISION

AT PITTSBURGH, PA.

Will endeavor to ascertain if Mrs. OGDEN M. EDWARDS, JR., who is believed to be the same as Mrs. N. OGDEN EDWARDS, and who was contributor to the Constitutional Educational League has any important official political connections.

It is suggested that extreme discretion be exercised in order that there might be no allegation that the political activities of any individual is the subject of a Bureau investigation.

Copies of this report are designated for the Washington Field Division in view of the fact that referenced letter states that KAMP will be tried on contempt charges in Washington, D. C.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
510 Trust Company Building
New Haven, 10, Connecticut
February 16, 1945

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

RE: ^① CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., et al
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
REGISTRATION ACT

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, dated February 14, 1945 at New Haven, Connecticut, in which the results of an interview with SAMUEL F. PRYOR, Old Field Point Road, Greenwich, Connecticut are set out. It is pointed out that SAMUEL F. PRYOR is the former National Treasurer and the former Vice Chairman and present National Committeeman of the Republican Party. //

During the interview set out in referenced report, Mr. PRYOR stated that he feels very strongly against Communism and also believes that the American people need some education to equip themselves to combat this threat to the American form of life.

He stated he did not know the best way to furnish this education. He stated that JOSEPH PETER KAMP is also strongly anti-Communist and has maintained that the only way to educate the American people is through pamphlets similar to those written by KAMP. Mr. PRYOR advised that this may be a possible solution, although he feels that KAMP's pamphlets are too strong and violent in tone. He stated that KAMP had solicited his financial assistance several times since they first met in 1936 and that PRYOR, because of his position and prominence, did not care to become involved in the issue and therefore withheld all financial assistance.

Mr. PRYOR pointed out that he considered KAMP's organization to be an educational organization which is not interested in politics as such. He stated he thinks that KAMP would accept financial assistance from political parties and/or any other available source, as funds are necessary in order to produce these pamphlets by which KAMP intends to educate the American people.

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Director, FBI

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The above information is being set out in order to show that although Mr. PRYOR did not assist the Constitutional Educational League financially he is in sympathy with the League's stated purpose which they claim to be is the education of the American people against Communism.

It is felt from the tenor of the interview that were Mr. PRYOR to be subpoenaed he might not make a strong Government witness as he gave every indication of being in strong sympathy with JOSEPH P. KAMP.

Very truly yours,

Roger F. Gleason
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Roger F. Gleason
Special Agent in Charge

*No info
of interest
offered
from Pryor.*

CC - Washington

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.,
JOSEPH PETER KAMP, alias, et al.
REGISTRATION ACT.

DATE: February 12, 1945

Attention: MR. J. C. STRICKLAND

With reference to the above entitled matter, the following investigative reports have been furnished to the United States Attorney at Washington, D. C., by letter dated February 12, 1945, for his information, in connection with the prosecution of KAMP on charges of contempt:-

Report of Special Agent O. H. HAGE, New Haven, Conn., December 14, 1940,
Report of Special Agent H. V. KENNEDY, Washington, D. C. February 17, 1941,
Report of Special Agent O. H. HAGE, New Haven, Conn., March 1, 1941,
Report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Conn., April 21, 1943,
Report of Special Agent BURKE MITCHELL, Washington, D.C., June 4, 1943,
Report of Special Agent C. RICHARD FULMER, Buffalo, New York, August 3, 1943,
Report of Special Agent C. RICHARD FULMER, Buffalo, New York, October 21, 1943,
Report of Special Agent J. WAYNE PARRISH, Washington, D.C. January 27, 1944,
Report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Conn., February 22, 1944,
Report of Special Agent WILLIAM G. BEDELL, Buffalo, New York, April 14, 1944,
Report of Special Agent F. MARTIN SENN, Buffalo, New York, January 27, 1945.

Upon receipt of information resulting from investigation presently being conducted by other offices, a summary report for prosecution of KAMP will be prepared by this office and furnished to the United States Attorney.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT**

FILE NO. **100-682**

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 2-17-45	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/9, 12, 13, 16, 23, 25, 30; 2/6, 7, 14-17/45	REPORT MADE BY OSCAR J. KEEB OJK:CNS
TITLE CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC. JOSEPH PETER KAMP, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - G REGISTRATION ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Pertinent information concerning contempt charge against JOSEPH P. KAMP set out. JOSEPH LEBB presently free lance writer in Washington, D. C., but reluctant to testify against KAMP. No new information developed through search of Congressional Record. No copyright certificates issued to League for any of its publications subsequent to 1942. Contempt case against KAMP to be set for trial after March 15, 1945.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File No. 61-10355.
Letter from the Washington Field Office to the Bureau dated January 16, 1945.

DETAILS:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

An inspection of the docket and files in the office of the Clerk of the United States District Court was made and it was ascertained that the following are the pertinent facts with regard to the contemplated prosecution of JOSEPH PETER KAMP on charges of contempt.

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On June 23, 1944, the Speaker of the House of Representatives appointed a Committee of seven members called the Committee to Investigate Campaign Expenditures. Subsequently, on September 28, 1944, this Committee issued a subpoena duces tecum to JOSEPH PETER KAMP to appear before the Committee on October 4, 1944, with the books and records of the Constitutional Educational League and the names of contributors of more than \$100.00 to that organization. This subpoena was served on October 2, 1944, by Deputy United States Marshal for the Southern District of New York, HARRY F. McCABE.

On October 4, 1944, KAMP appeared before the Committee in the District of Columbia, but refused to produce any of the papers and records of the Constitutional Educational League as he had been required to do by the subpoena. Certification of KAMP'S wilful and deliberate refusal was furnished to the United States Attorney on November 2, 1944, by SAM RAYBURN, Speaker of the House of Representatives, together with certified copies of the pertinent documents showing the formation of the Committee pursuant to proper authority, the issuance and serving of the subpoena, et cetera.

At the October term, 1944, of the Federal Grand Jury in the District of Columbia, the Grand Jury returned a presentment against KAMP for violation of Section 192, Title 2, United States Code, showing his wilful refusal to produce the records and papers of the Constitutional Educational League before the Committee to Investigate Campaign Expenditures of the House of Representatives. A Bench Warrant was issued for the arrest of KAMP on December 21, 1944, and on December 27, 1944, KAMP surrendered to the United States Marshal in Washington, D. C. At that time he was fingerprinted by the Marshal, No. 74647, and upon the deposit of \$500.00 cash bond by his wife, MILDRED M. KAMP of 3 East 54th Street, New York City, KAMP was released pending trial.

Conferences were held with Assistant United States Attorney CHARLES B. MURRAY, who will handle the trial of this case, on January 9th and February 15, 1945. Mr. MURRAY pointed out that all pertinent evidence with regard to the political character of the Constitutional Educational League was desired by him for use in the trial of KAMP, inasmuch as KAMP'S refusal to produce the records of this organization before the House Committee was based upon the contention that the Committee had the right to subpoena the records of political organizations only, and that the Constitutional Educational League was an educational organization, not engaged in politics.

Mr. MURRAY further advised that evidence showing that this organization has been financed by any political party or by important officials of a political party would thus be extremely pertinent. Upon

an examination of evidence available at the time of the second conference, Mr. MURRAY expressed the opinion that the publications of the Constitutional Educational League set out below might be among the best evidence which could be presented at the trial, in view of certain drawbacks to the testimony of a number of possible witnesses. The specific publications deemed most important in this connection are

"Vote CIO - - - And Get a Soviet America" - by JOSEPH P. KAMP. Published 1944.

~~Native~~
"Negative Nazi Purge Plot" - by JOSEPH P. KAMP. Published 1942.

"Why Win the War . . . and Lose What we are Fighting for?" - by JOSEPH P. KAMP. Published 1942.

It should be noted that the above publications were published by the Constitutional Educational League apparently prior to the general elections in 1942 and 1944 and appear to indicate political activity on the part of the League. With respect to the publications Mr. MURRAY desired that pertinent proof of the time of publication of each pamphlet be secured, together with the identity of the person ordering the printing and delivery, the quantities printed and the source of payment for such printing. He also desired that copyright information available concerning such pamphlets be secured.

Mr. MURRAY advised on the occasion of the second conference that the contempt case against KAMP would be set for trial after March 15, 1945, or not earlier than the third week in March.

Inquiry was conducted at the National Press Club, the office of the National Press Building and in the vicinity of the office in that building previously occupied by JOSEPH LEIB in order to ascertain the present whereabouts of this possible witness, with negative results. Through Selective Service Headquarters, it was ascertained that he was registered with Local Board Number 11, where a review of his file indicated that he had been inducted into the United States Army on May 28, 1943, and honorably discharged on July 7, 1943. LEIB, who was born in New York City on November 15, 1910, is now residing at 3908 North Fourth Street, Arlington, Virginia, Telephone Chestnut 4393.

Upon interview with LEIB he related substantially the same facts with regard to his visit to the office of KAMP in New York City as has previously been reported in this case. On this occasion, however,

LEIB stated that KAMP did not make the definite statement that SAMUEL PRYOR of the Republican National Committee was financing his activities, but that LEIB had arrived at this conclusion from KAMP'S references to PRYOR and from the telephone conversations between the two men. LEIB also advised that he is presently working as a free lance writer, principally preparing material for various Congressmen and that accordingly to testify against KAMP would be a source of embarrassment to him, inasmuch as it might cause distrust concerning him on the part of certain Congressmen. LEIB indicated that he would be willing to testify if called, but that he hoped such testimony would not be required. LEIB also indicated that he had a letter which he received from KAMP prior to his visit to KAMP'S office, but to date efforts to secure this letter from LEIB have been unsuccessful.

The speech of Honorable FRANK E. HOOK of Michigan delivered Thursday, February 13, 1941, in the House of Representatives and previously referred to in reports in this case, was located in Volume 87, Page A-637 of the Appendix, Part 10 of the Congressional Record for the 77th Congress. It was noted that this speech was an attack on the Dies Committee and J. B. MATHES, its principal investigator. HOOK asserted that despite its activities, the record of the Dies Committee failed to show a thorough investigation of many notorious organizations, which sowed the seeds of discord and aroused suspicion of being sympathetic to Nazi or Fascist aims. HOOK then proceeded to a discussion of JOSEPH P. KAMP and the Constitutional Educational League. A careful examination of the material set out in this speech failed to show any additional information not previously reported in reports in this case, and it appeared that the material for this section of the speech was secured through reference to the magazine "The Hour" and from information in the files of the Anti-Defamation League. Inasmuch as this information has been previously made available, the text of this speech is not being set out herein.

Inquiry was made at the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress for information concerning the copyright of the pamphlet, "Vote CIO . . . and Get a Soviet America", which bears the notation that it was copyrighted in 1944.

Miss F. L. TREN, Chief Information Clerk of the Copyright Office, advised that there is no record of a copyright certificate having been issued to the Constitutional Educational League or to JOSEPH P. KAMP for this booklet, and that as a matter of fact there is no record of a copyright certificate having been issued to the

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League for any of its publications subsequent to 1942. Miss REIN explained that the appearance of a copyright notice in a publication, where no formal application had been made to the Copyright Office would not constitute any violation of copyright law, and that a copyright certificate might be secured for such pamphlet at any time subsequent to its publication, even though this period might run up to twenty years. She advised that the lack of such certificate and the failure to furnish two copies of the publication to the Copyright Office merely stopped the author or publisher from collecting damages for any republications of his material prior to securing such copyright certificate.

Copyright information with regard to prior League publications was not secured upon this occasion pending a thorough study of such publications for the selection of the most pertinent items.

ENCLOSURES TO THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, WASHINGTON, D. C.

One copy of Report of Special Agent W. PAUL McWHORTER, dated February 3, 1945, at New York, New York.

One copy of Report of Special Agent ALVIN F. KOVALSKI, dated February 8, 1945, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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THE NEW HAVEN FIELD DIVISION

AT NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT:

* Will, if authorized by the Bureau, interview CHESTER A. HANSON, 831 Chapel Street.

Will set out any further information in the possession of Special Agent LORIN D. SWAYNE concerning statements by JOSEPH P. KAMP upon the occasion of KAMP'S interview on April 9, 1943, as set out on Page 18 of the report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated April 21, 1943. It should be noted that on Page 20 of this report it is stated that according to KAMP CHESTER A. HANSON had requested in 1933 that KAMP tone down the tenor of his speeches and try to eliminate political issues. Any additional information concerning the political character of KAMP'S activities, particularly with regard to a more recent date is desired.

Will ascertain the printer of the booklet "Vote CIO . . . and Get a Soviet America", believed published in 1944, and secure from him the exact time of publication of this booklet, the identity of the person ordering the printing and delivery, the quantity printed and the identity of the person paying for such printing. It is noted that this booklet does not contain a printer's Union label and in the event that undeveloped leads are necessary for other offices in order to secure this information, such leads should be set out by teletype.

Native
Will make similar inquiry concerning the facts surrounding the publication of "~~Negative~~ Nazi Purge Plot", which bears the Union Label showing the printer to be "New Haven - 1".

Will endeavor to secure and furnish to the Washington Field Office a copy of the book "Un-American Gestapo" which KAMP may recently have published.

AT GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT:

* Will interview SAMUEL F. ~~PRIOR~~, Old Field Point Road, for information concerning his connections with KAMP and the Constitutional Educational League.

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AT RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT:

Will interview JOHN NASH of Acorn Press with regard to KAMP'S request of him in the fall of 1943 regarding the printing of a "Political pamphlet". It should be noted that the report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated February 22, 1944, indicates on Page 14 that KAMP approached NASH for this purpose. It is desired that a full and complete statement with regard to this matter be secured directly from JOHN NASH and that any statements made by KAMP concerning the pamphlet to be published be secured.

THE NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK:

Will identify the printer of the pamphlet "Why Win the War - - - and Lose What we are Fighting for?" published by the League in 1942, which bears Union Label for New York City, Number 120. Will ascertain from this printer the exact time of publication of this pamphlet, the identity of the person ordering the printing and delivery, the quantity printed and the person paying for such printing.

Will make inquiry for the identity of the printer of the pamphlet "Vote CIO and Get a Soviet America" and if identified will secure the same information concerning the publication of this pamphlet. It should be noted that a number of KAMP'S pamphlets were printed by New York Union Printer No. 441.

Will set out any additional information in the possession of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN concerning any further statements made by KAMP on the occasion of his interview with regard to the political character of his activities or those of the Constitutional Educational League.

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THE WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.:

Will re-contact JOSEPH LEIB for the letter allegedly written to LEIB by JOSEPH PETER KAMP with regard to the 1940 political campaign.

Will recheck at the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress for any information available concerning the pamphlets "~~Negative~~ Nazi Purge Plot" and "Why Win the War. . . and lose what we are Fighting for?".

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SAC, Washington Field

February 16, 1945

John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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REGISTRATION ACT

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In accordance with the request contained in the letter from the New Haven Field Division dated February 5, 1945, there are attached for your information in connection with the captioned case, photostatic copies of checks issued by the subject as follows:

1. Check to Associated Willkie Clubs in the amount of \$36.00, dated October 14, 1940, drawn on the Irving Trust Co., New York, and signed by Joseph P. Kamp.
2. Check payable to Clare E. Hoffman dated December 9, 1904, in the amount of \$9.00 drawn on the Irving Trust Co., and signed by Joseph P. Kamp.

Enclosure

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

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Director, FBI

Attention: MR. J. C. STRICKLAND

Re CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
JOSEPH PETER KAMP et al
REGISTRATION ACT

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Washington Field Division letter dated January 16, 1945 to the Bureau regarding the indictment of JOSEPH PETER KAMP for his refusal to produce under a subpoena duces tecum certain records and papers to the House Committee on Campaign Expenditures. The referenced Washington Field letter requests that certain exhibits be forwarded from this office to the Washington Field Division for the benefit of Assistant U.S. Attorney CHARLES B. MURRAY.

The following are being forwarded to the Washington Field Division under separate cover:

I. Report of Special Agent C. Richard Fulmer dated August 3, 1943 at Buffalo, N.Y.

Report of Special Agent William G. Bedell dated April 14, 1944 at Buffalo, N.Y.

Report of Special Agent James J. Bowman dated February 22, 1944 at New Haven, Connecticut.

Report of Special Agent C. Richard Fulmer dated October 21, 1943 at Buffalo, N.Y.

II. The following publications of the Constitutional Educational League:

1. ~~Join the CIO and Help Build Up Soviet America.~~
2. ~~The Hell of Herin Rages Again.~~

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3. ~~X~~ Headlines and What's Behind Them, March 25, 1939
4. ~~X~~ The Fifth Column in Washington.
5. ~~X~~ The Fifth Column in the South.
6. ~~X~~ The Fifth Column vs. the Dies Committee.
7. ~~X~~ The Fifth Column Conspiracy in America.
8. ~~X~~ Why Win the War and Lose What We Are Fighting For.
9. ~~X~~ Native Nazi Purge Plot.
10. ~~X~~ What's Cookin'?
11. ~~X~~ Famine in America.
12. ~~X~~ Mrs. Congressman: This Man Says.....You are a
Traitor.
13. ~~X~~ With Lotions of Love.

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It is to be noted that the series of nine pamphlets entitled "Department of Justice Memorandum Re:.....Strictly Confidential...From the Files of the FBI", and also a copy of the pamphlet "The Hell with G.I. Joe" are missing from the above. The Bureau is requested to furnish these pamphlets to the Washington Field Division.

The following publications of the League which were not included in the reference letter are also being forwarded to the Washington Field Division under separate cover:

~~X~~ "Communism's Iron Grip on the CIO"

~~X~~ "Communism in Our Schools" by JOHN BROSS ~~X~~ LLOYD

~~X~~ "A Week of Headlines in the League's Southern Campaign"
dated August 13, 1937.

A rough copy of the address of Joseph P. Kamp at a membership forum of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce August 13, 1937.

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~~HOFFMAN.~~

~~"The Workers' Road to Independence" by the Hon. CLARE E.~~

~~"The Faked Contract".~~

~~"The Fifth Column Stops Defense".~~

~~"The Communists Congratulate You".~~

~~"The Story Behind the Constitution" by Hon. LEONARD MCMAHON.~~

~~"A Resolution and Petition to the Congress of the United States".~~

~~"Red Reuther Exposed".~~

~~"A Courageous Newspaper Exposes....."~~

~~Fact-O-Gram, File No. 11.~~

~~Fact-O-Gram, File No. 12~~

Photographic copies taken from the New Haven Chamber of Commerce records of Headlines Bulletin Nos. 6, 8, and 9.

A photographic copy of "Headlines and What's Behind Them" dated September 10, 1938, taken from the original which is on file in the New Haven Chamber of Commerce.

✓ III. One copy of the pamphlet ~~"Battalions of Death"~~ by Representative CLARE E. HOFFMAN.

✓ IV. Photographic copies of the financial statements of the Constitutional Educational League for the years 1934, 1935 and 1937, which were photographed by Special Agent H. C. LADUKE at the New Haven Chamber of Commerce on April 1, 1942.

✓ Photographic copy of the confidential report of instant league by the National Better Business Bureau, Inc., of New York City, which contains the 1939 financial statement of instant league, and which also was photographed by Special Agent LaDuke.

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✓ Photographic copy of ~~X~~ Confidential Report to Members of League Activities during 1934".

✓ Photographic copy of "The ~~X~~ Digest of Report of Constitutional Educational League for the Year 1935".

✓ Photographic copy of ~~X~~ Record of Achievement for the years 1937, 1938, and 1939".

All of the above photographs were made of the file on instant league maintained at the New Haven Chamber of Commerce.

✓ Conf. The reference letter also requested the identity of [redacted] so that if necessary he can be subpoenaed to [redacted]

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It is pointed out that [redacted]

[redacted] who presently resides at [redacted]

[redacted] and is employed in the [redacted]

It is pointed out that [redacted]

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Special Agent O. H. HAGE. [redacted]

At the time Special Agent H.

C. LADUKE [redacted]

on April 1, 1942. [redacted]

at that time was [redacted]

He is presently [redacted]

V. Reference letter requests that photostatic copies of the checks issued by the subject to the ~~X~~ Associated Willkie Clubs dated October 14, 1940, and to CLARE E. HOFFMAN dated December 9, 1940 be furnished to the Washington Field Division. This is to advise that these two photostatic copies do not presently appear in this file, and therefore the Bureau is requested to furnish these photostatic copies to the Washington Field Division.

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VI. Reference letter contained a request to reinterview WILLIAM RUSH, JR., and verify his residence at 186 Bradley Street, New Haven, Conn. This is to advise that WILLIAM RUSH, JR. still resides at 186 Bradley Street, New Haven. He is registered at Local Board 8B, New Haven, Connecticut, and is classified 4-F by reason of a schizoid personality. The above diagnosis was noted on his official medical examination. He is presently employed for the Bureau of Aeronautics at the Chance Vought Aircraft, Stratford, Connecticut, as a clerk. He has been reclassified 2B(f). There were several letters in Rush's Selective Service file in which he demands a 1A classification, pointing out that his Doctor, Dr. MARTIN HEINEMAN, 107 Whitney Avenue, New Haven, had advised him that he is capable of service in the United States Army.

Dr. HEINEMAN was interviewed and advised that he has only seen Mr. RUSH on two occasions; in July and September of 1943. Dr. HEINEMAN advised that Rush is so much involved emotionally that his competency as a witness is very questionable. Dr. HEINEMAN stated that RUSH is definitely a psychopathic case. He also pointed out that the sex of the defendant would determine the type of information which RUSH would give.

It might be pointed out that Dr. MARTIN HEINEMAN is a well known local doctor, who is associated with the Yale School of Medicine. In view of the above, WILLIAM RUSH, Jr. was not reinterviewed and will not be unless advised by the Washington Field Division on the recommendation of Assistant U.S. Attorney CHARLES B. MURRAY.

VII. Arrangements have been made to interview SAMUEL F. PHYLOR of Greenwich, Connecticut on February 9, 1945.

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is the proper person to be subpoenaed for these records.

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The Bureau and the Washington Field Office will be advised immediately of the results of the interview with SAMUEL F. PRYOR, upon its termination.

Very truly yours,

Roger F. Gleason
Roger F. Gleason, SAC *RF*

cc Washington Field

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 17, 1945

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC. *Incorporated*
JOSEPH PETER KAMP, et al
INTERNAL SECURITY - G; REGISTRATION ACT.
(Bureau File Number 61-10355)

It will be noted in the report of Special Agent OSCAR J. KEEP, Washington, D. C., dated February 17, 1945, that Assistant United States Attorney CHARLES B. MURRAY has now indicated that the trial of KAMP for contempt of the House of Representatives will be set after March 15, 1945. For the information of the Bureau, Mr. MURRAY advised that this deferment was necessary in order that he might first bring to trial the several cases involving similar charges for contempt against prominent members of the Communist Party, where such cases have been pending for three or four years. Mr. MURRAY believed that this would avoid any charges that the United States Attorney's office singled out KAMP as a target rather than trying all such cases as they appear.

It is also brought to the attention of the Bureau that in the letter from the New Haven Office to the Bureau dated February 5, 1945, the Bureau was requested to furnish to the Washington Field Office photographic copies of checks drawn by JOSEPH KAMP to the Associated Willkie Clubs, dated October 14, 1940, and to CLARE E. HOFFMAN, dated December 9, 1940. These checks have not yet been received from the Bureau, although other material was furnished by the Bureau to this office under date of February 8, 1945. It is requested that the Bureau furnish the photographic copies of these checks in the event that they are presently available.

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TO : DIRECTOR, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: February 28, 1945

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.

JOSEPH PETER KAMP, et al

INTERNAL SECURITY - G

REGISTRATION ACT

Bureau File No. 61-10355

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent OSCAR J. KEEP dated February 17, 1945, at Washington, D.C., in connection with the above captioned matter.

It is noted that in setting out the name of one of KAMP's pamphlets published by him in 1942, a typographical error was made in the title. The name of the pamphlet in question, set out on page 3 of this report as ~~Negative Nazi-Purge Plot~~ should read ~~Native Nazi Purge Plot~~. It is also noted that this same error occurs in the leads set out for the New Haven Office on page 6 of this report and in the leads set out for the Washington Field Division on page 8 of the report.

The reports in the possession of the Washington Field Office have been corrected to show the proper title of this pamphlet and it is suggested that the Bureau and the offices receiving copies of this report should likewise correct their copies to correctly reflect the name of this pamphlet.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
February 17, 1945

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
JOSEPH PETER KAMP, et al
INTERNAL SECURITY - G; REGISTRATION ACT
(Bureau File Number 61-10355)

Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish the known criminal record of the following:

Name (inc. aliases)	City, Police Arrest, or Other Number.	Approximate date Fin- gerprints forwarded Federal Bureau of In- vestigation.	Fingerprint Classifica- tion.
JOSEPH PETER KAMP	Arrested and fingerprinted by United States Marshal, District of Columbia, December 27, 1944. Arrest Number 74647.		

It is requested that a copy of the criminal record be furnished to the New Haven Field Division, the office of origin in this case, and that two copies be furnished to the Washington Field Division.



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Very truly yours,

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CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC.
JOSEPH PETER KAMP, et al
Registration Act

With reference to the request contained on page two of your letter of January 16, 1945, you are advised that the Bureau's records disclose that SA James J. Bowman is now assigned to the New Haven Office and Special Agent Lorin D. Swayne is now assigned to the New York Office.

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TO : DIRECTOR, Federal Bureau of Investigation DATE: January 16, 1945

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INCORPORATED
JOSEPH PETER KAMP, ET AL.
REGISTRATION ACT

Attention: Mr. J. C. Strickland

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Reference is made to Bureau letter to the Washington Field Division dated January 5, 1945, in connection with the above captioned matter, wherein it was directed that investigation be conducted of KAMP's Constitutional Educational League for use in the trial of KAMP on contempt charges in Washington, D. C. It should be noted that KAMP is under indictment for his refusal to produce under a subpoena duces tecum certain records and papers to the House Committee on Campaign Expenditures. The trial of KAMP in this connection hinges on whether or not the Constitutional Educational League is a political committee or is engaged solely in educational activities.

It should be further noted that a conference has been held with Assistant United States Attorney, CHARLES B. MURRAY, who has indicated that the trial of KAMP will be set for the month of February, 1945, probably around the middle or latter part of that month. Consequently, it is essential that necessary investigation in this matter be completed at an early date.

There are being set out hereinafter certain leads in connection with this matter for the Field Offices receiving copies of this letter. It is requested that coverage of these leads be expedited, and that in the event of additional leads resulting from the investigation indicated, that such leads be set out by the following offices by teletype for immediate coverage.

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BUREAU

It is brought to the attention of the Bureau that according to Mr. MURRAY the most pertinent fact produced by previous investigation in this matter centers around the allegation of JOSEPH LEIB of Washington, D. C., who is presently believed to be in the U. S. Army, concerning his visit to the New York City office of Mr. KAMP in October, 1940. According to LEIB, during this visit, KAMP talked on the telephone on two occasions with an individual identified by KAMP as being one SAM PRIOR, a wealthy Republican National Committeeman, who was financing KAMP in his activities. LEIB stated that in one conversation with PRIOR, KAMP had complained concerning the fining of NPA workers in New York City who had listened to WENDEL WILLKIE's speech, and KAMP had indicated that the Republican Party should do something about this. It should be noted that, according to the Bureau, the only National Committeeman of the Republican Party of similar name is SAMUEL F. PRIOR, Jr. of Connecticut, who is Vice President of Pan American Airways.

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OK 1. It is requested that the Bureau authorize the New Haven Office to interview Mr. SAMUEL F. PRYOR in order to ascertain whether or not he has had any contact with KAMP or the Constitutional Educational League, whether or not he has ever contributed money to that League, or whether or not he has engaged in any other activities in connection with the League. It is pointed out that if, as alleged by LEIB, that PRYOR has been a financial backer of KAMP and the Constitutional Educational League, this evidence would appear to be the strongest available to prove the political activities of this organization.

#41 - See Washington Field Office letter to Bureau dated January 15, 1941; report of Special Agent BURKE
#265 - MITCHELL, Washington, D. C., dated June 4, 1943; report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven,
#253 - Connecticut, dated April 21, 1943.

OK 2. The Bureau is requested to advise the Washington Field Office of the present whereabouts or the availability for testifying, if needed, of Special Agents JAMES J. BOWMAN and LORIN D. SWAYNE. It is pointed out that these agents interviewed JOSEPH P. KAMP and CHESTER A. HANSON on April 9, 1943, at which time KAMP made several admissions of possible pertinence in instant matter.

#253 - See report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated April 21, 1943, page 18.

BUFFALO OFFICE

OK It is requested that the Buffalo Office secure a copy of the report of the Better Business Bureau on the Constitutional Educational League, together with a copy of the report believed prepared by KAMP in reply to the report of the Better Business Bureau. It should be noted that this reply is captioned "Memorandum In Re 'Confidential Report' of Business Bureau" and forward these to the Washington Field Office. The Buffalo Office should also furnish the name of the individual from the Buffalo Better Business Bureau who could identify each of the above reports in the event that this might be necessary.

#317 See report of Special Agent C. RICHARD FULMER, Buffalo, New York, dated October 21, 1943.

CHICAGO OFFICE

OK The Chicago Office is requested to interview MILES M. GOLDBERG of the Anti-Defamation League, 130 North Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois, for the identity of the informant of the Anti-Defamation League mentioned in that organization's report on the Constitutional Educational League, who said that the latter League was being aided by the Associated Willkie Clubs. - dead

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Will also learn from Mr. GOLDBERG the authority of the Anti-Defamation League for the statement in their report that subject KAMP was associated with the Crump political machine in Memphis, Tennessee, and any further details with regard to this alleged association. Will also secure, if available, the alleged documents indicating KAMP's association with the Crump machine, as set out in the report of the Anti-Defamation League.

#253 See report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated April 21, 1943, pages 29 and 30.

NEW HAVEN OFFICE

1. The New Haven Office will forward the following reports in instant case to the Washington Field Division in order that the United States Attorney's Office may be supplied with a copy of all pertinent reports:

- ew.*
- #296 Report of Special Agent C. RICHARD FULMER, Buffalo, New York, dated August 3, 1943;
 - #362 Report of Special Agent WILLIAM G. BEDELL, Buffalo, New York, dated April 14, 1944;
 - #350 Report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated February 22, 1944;
 - #317 Report of Special Agent C. RICHARD FULMER, Buffalo, New York, dated October 21, 1943.

2. Will forward a copy of each of the publications of the Constitutional Educational League subsequent to 1937 to the Washington Field Office. It is believed that the following is a complete list of these publications:

- ew.*
- "Join the CIO and Help Build a Soviet America" (1937)
 - "The Hell of Herrin....Rages Again" (1937)
 - "Headlines and What's Behind Them" (1939)
 - "The Fifth Column in Washington." (1940)
 - "The Fifth Column in the South" (1940)
 - "The Fifth Column versus the Dies Committee" (1941)
 - "The Fifth Column Conspiracy in America" (1941)
 - "Why Win the War and Lose What We're Fighting For" (1942)
 - "Native Nazi Purge Plot" (1942)
 - "What's Cooking" (1942)
 - "Famine in America" (1943)
 - "Mr. Congressman: This Man Says....You Are a Traitor" (1943)
- Various pamphlets headed: "Department of Justice Memo Re: ____."
All of these pamphlets carry the words "Strictly Confidential" and "From the Secret Files of the FBI" on the cover. They pertain to the following subjects:

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"National Negro Congress" (1942)
"American Youth Congress" (1942)
"Washington Cooperative Bookshop" (1943)
"American Peace Mobilization";
"American Peoples Mobilization" (1943)
"League of American Writers" (1943)
"The American League Against War and Fascism";
"The American League for Peace and Democracy" (1943)
"The National Federation for Constitutional Liberties" (1943)
"National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners";
"National Committee for People's Rights" (1943)
"Washington Committee for Democratic Action" (1943)
"With Lotions of Love..." (1944)
"The Hell with G. I. Joe" (1944)

con 3. Will secure and forward a copy of the pamphlet "Battalion of Death" by Representative CLARE HOFFMAN, allegedly published by the League.

#263 See Report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated April 21, 1943, page 28.

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con 4. Will forward to the Washington Field Office photographic copies of financial statements of the League for the years 1934, 1935, 1937, and 1939, and advise the identity of New Haven Confidential Informant [redacted] in the event they might be needed at the trial in this case. Will also forward the photographic copy of "Confidential Report to Members and League Activities During 1934", as well as a similar report for 1935 as previously supplied to the New Haven Office by Confidential Informant [redacted]. Will also furnish to the Washington Field Office the photostatic copy of "A Record of Achievement" for the years 1937, 1938, and 1939, as mentioned on page 31 of the report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated April 21, 1943.

It should be noted by the New Haven Office that prior reports indicate that the photographic copies mentioned in the above paragraph are presently in the possession of the New Haven Office.

5. Will forward to the Washington Field Office photostatic copies of the checks by subject KAMP to the Associated Willkie Clubs, dated October 14, 1940, and to CLARE E. HOFFMAN, dated December 9, 1940.

#350 See report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated February 22, 1944.

con 6. Will verify the present address of WILLIAM RUSH, Jr., 186 Bradley Street, New Haven, Connecticut. It should be noted that this individual may prove a strongest possible witness in connection with this matter, and he

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should be re-interviewed in connection with his allegation that contributions to the Constitutional Educational League came principally from wealthy women, manufacturers, and members of the Republican Party in order to secure the names of any Party officials who contributed to the League and any other evidence of the political character of the organization known by Mr. RUSH.

#135 See report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated February 22, 1944, page 20.

7. Will conduct appropriate investigation to determine whether Mr. SAMUEL F. PRYOR, of Greenwich, Connecticut, a member of the Republican National Committee, was a backer of the League. In this connection, it should be noted that authority is being requested from the Bureau for permission to interview Mr. PRYOR at a later date, but no such interview should be conducted pending Bureau approval, nor should any open investigation of PRYOR's connection with the League be conducted at this time.

See report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Hampshire, Connecticut, dated April 21, 1943; report of Special Agent BURKE MITCHELL, Washington, D. C., dated June 4, 1943.

8. Will ascertain if [redacted]

[redacted] would be able to produce the records of that company, if desired to show [redacted]

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NEW YORK CITY OFFICE

1. Will ascertain if JOHN BROSS ~~LLOYD~~, who has been alleged to be the largest contributor to the Constitutional Educational League, has any important official political connections, and will also endeavor to ascertain if this individual is identical with B. A. LLOYD.

#253 See report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN, New Haven, Connecticut, dated April 21, 1943, page 17

2. Will similarly endeavor to ascertain any official political connections of Mrs. E. OGDEN ~~EDWARDS~~, also alleged to be a very heavy financial contributor to this organization.

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See report of Special Agent JAMES J. BOWMAN,
New Haven, Connecticut, dated February 22, 1944,
page 23.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

1. Will ascertain the present whereabouts of JOSEPH LEIB, a free lance writer, formerly in 1381 National Press Building, but presently believed to be inducted into the Army.
 2. Will ascertain if the speech of Honorable FRANK E. HOOK of Michigan appears in the Congressional Record of February 13, 1941, and if so, whether information of evidentiary value might be contained therein with regard to the Constitutional Educational League.
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It is suggested that each office covering leads with regard to prominent political figures exercise extreme discretion in order that there might be no allegation that the political activities of any individual is the subject of a Bureau investigation.

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MR. D. W. LADD

DATE: 1-22-45

FROM:

J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT:

CONSTITUTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, INC., Joseph P. Kamp;
Registration Act

Attached is a letter from the Washington Field Office dated January 16, 1945 which suggests further investigation with reference to the above captioned matter. Among other leads the field office has suggested that an interview be conducted by the New Haven Office with Mr. Samuel Pryor, identified as a wealthy Republican National Committeeman and possibly Vice President of Pan American Airways.

Inasmuch as Samuel F. Pryor, Vice President of PAA, has been interested in Republican politics and took an active part in the Wendell Willkie campaign in 1940, he is undoubtedly the person referred to by Joseph Leib who stated that Pryor was financing Kamp's activities.

It will be recalled that Samuel Pryor was interviewed in connection with the case entitled "Information Concerning Operations of Army Air Transport Command" by Agents of the New York Office. His attitude at that time was one of friendly cooperation; however, it does not appear that he furnished all the information which he might have furnished to the Agents. It is believed, however, that the interview should be conducted with Mr. Pryor in an effort to obtain some statement from him concerning the allegation that he financed the activities of Joseph Kamp. Inasmuch as he has previously been interviewed by Agents of the New York Office without repercussions, it is believed that the suggested interview in this case should also be conducted by New York.

RECOMMENDATION: There is attached a suggested teletype with reference to this matter.

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